



LAST CHANCE TO STOP 90 HOMES

BY CARL JACKSON

A LONG-RUNNING campaign to stop homes being built on green belt land between Cheslyn Hay and Great Wyrley appears to have been lost.

Residents in the two villages have long fought against the idea of homes off Upper Landywood Lane.

But an application for 90 homes by Ken Lees, of KGL Holding, has been recommended for approval by South Staffordshire Council officers when it goes before councillors on November 21.

The plan will also mean a multi-million restoration of Teddesley Hall, in Penkridge, the developer has vowed. But this has not appeased campaigners.

Alan Morgan, aged 68, of Streets Lane, Cheslyn Hay, said: "The council has brownfield sites for developers to build on, and we have pointed them out. We should not be building on green-belt land. This has been a long campaign, and we're disappointed it has come to this, considering the opposition there has been."

A petition signed by 1,349 residents in opposition to the development has been submitted to the council.

Opposed

Their concerns included the fact the local roads are already congested, a lack of parking at Landywood railway station, as well as the added pressure on schools and health services. The report acknowledges their fears but states they are not enough to refuse the application.

It says: "There have been an exceptional number of representations received in relation to this application, overwhelmingly opposed to the application."

"The representations of the members of the public have been given careful consideration."

"However, the dis-benefits of the development identified by the objectors are not considered to be significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits provided by the development."

There is still hope for villagers in that the decision will ultimately be made by the planning committee on Tuesday. If approved it will also be automatically be referred to the Secretary of State for the Department for Communities and Local Government who may call in the scheme and come to another conclusion.

Councillor Kath Williams, who represents the area, said: "Residents do not want it."

"We have had a lot of applications come up before which they have opposed. But I cannot say any more until the committee meeting because we cannot pre-determine the application."

AMAZING! 1,200 FOOD ITEMS DONATED TO APPEAL



Reporters Jordan Harris and Heather Large helped by Phil Beecher and the huge pile of food donated for the campaign

MORE than 1,200 food items have been donated to our Feed A Family This Christmas campaign thanks to an anonymous donor from Staffordshire.

Hundreds of tins of soup, vegetables, meat and fish have been handed over as well as dozens of bags of pasta, rice, noodles, snacks and biscuits. A massive 1,240 items were donated which filled three cars when they were collected and came from kind-hearted members of a county community association which

wanted the food to help struggling families in the run-up to the festive season.

The food will be now go to food banks and other charitable organisations across Staffordshire and the Black Country.

The anonymous donation includes 60 packets of cereals, 100 tins of soup, 250 tins of beans, 60 packets of dry pasta and sauce, 40 packets of biscuits, and 40 packet sauces.

The campaign has been launched by The Chronicle and the Express & Star to help sup-

port local food banks, charities working with the homeless and The Haven refuge.

MNA Group Head of Weekly Titles and E&S Deputy Editor Diane Davies said: "This is an absolutely amazing contribution, we are incredibly grateful."

"But I can't emphasise enough how much pressure there is on food banks and homelessness charities at this time. So I would urge all our readers to support this campaign."

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POLICE

Resident conned out of £500 cash

A BOGUS caller conned a Cannock resident out of £500 by claiming to be a gardener.

The resident of Langdale Drive went to the bank to get cash before returning and handing over £500 to the suspect who left the property with an agreement to be back within an hour but never returned.

The incident happened at 9.30am on Friday.

Lydia Hooley, community engagement officer with Staffordshire Police, said: "We would remind residents to never allow any unsolicited visitors into their home."

REMEMBRANCE

Thousands pay their respects

THOUSANDS of people stood together to remember those who laid their lives in the service of their country.

Mourners, veterans and dignitaries gathered in Cannock, Rugeley, Hednesford and Stafford, to pay their respects.

And the Duke of Gloucester laid a wreath at the Armed Forces Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum.

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CHARITY

Children in Need fundraiser at Asda

ASDA Cannock's community champion Debbie Keeley is to host a fundraising event in store on Saturday at 10.30am.

The theme of the activities will centre around BBC Children in Need and Asda's campaign The Power of Play, which champions the importance of play in child development and aims to inspire new ideas for play using everyday household items.

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Pupils cared for but school told to improve



Inspection – Rugeley School

A £90,000-A-YEAR special needs school has fallen below the required standards. Rugeley School, which has around 50 pupils on the roll, has slipped from its 'good' Ofsted rating last year to 'requires improvement' – level three out of the four-tier system. Following the latest inspection last month, the watchdog concluded the independent provider was not meeting the necessary standards in four of the five key areas – leadership, teaching, outcomes and sixth form. Only the area around pupil development and welfare was rated good. The report stated: "The

quality of teaching, learning and assessment varies across the school, and outcomes are not consistently good. "Teachers have had too few opportunities to share the most effective practice to improve their teaching skills. "Some objectives for learning lack clarity, and there is scope for greater challenge. Outcomes are variable. "Over time, leaders have not adequately monitored pupils' achievement with sufficient frequency. "Information about pupils' achievement has not been moderated sufficiently well in the past. Though this

situation is rapidly improving, new systems need to be embedded further. "Sixth-form provision is improving but the overall quality of teaching is not securing good progress." Ofsted did recognise numerous strengths, with inspectors saying leaders had wasted no time in addressing key issues and have the capability to secure further improvements. "The school is on a journey of change and improvement," the report added. "Priory Group leaders are receptive and have skilled advisers." No-one at the school was available to comment.

Young and old gather to remember fallen

'AT the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.'

As the poignant words of Laurence Binyon's For The Fallen poem rang out at ceremonies across the region, emotions were etched on the faces of veterans coming together to remember their fallen comrades. Remembrance Day, the 11th day of the 11th month, was marked by the young and old with parades and services across Staffordshire including those in Stafford, Stone, Rugeley, Penkridge, Hednesford, Cannock and Lichfield.

Services were also held across the West Midlands including in Wolverhampton, Dudley, Walsall and West Bromwich. Prince Richard, the Duke of Gloucester, laid a wreath at the Armed Forces Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum. There were also remembrance events in Rugeley and Stafford, while in Cannock a procession of ex-servicemen and women, alongside cadets, set out from the town's campus of South Staffordshire College.

Parade

It snaked down Park Road and then around High Green toward the cenotaph in the town centre. St Luke's Church vicar Richard Lewis addressed the assembled grounds before the two-minute silence. The hymn Onward, Christian Soldiers was sung before wreathes were laid, including one by Gordon Alcott on behalf of Cannock Chase Council. A service was then held at St Luke's Church. There was also a good turnout in Hednesford for its parade and service. In Walsall, a parade took place before a service at the cenotaph in Bradford Place. A small ceremony was also held at the statue of John Carless, who received a posthumous Victoria Cross for his fight on a Royal Navy ship in the First World War in the North Sea. Among those taking part was Corporal Frank Corbett, aged 96, from Essington. He served in the South Staffordshire Regiment 7th Battalion, taking part in the Normandy landing at Gold Beach.

Children pay respects to heroes



Children from Chadsmoor C.E Junior School at the memorial

ON a sunny crisp and cold morning in Chadsmoor, former Staffordshire Regiment soldier Steve Taylor, resplendent in his black beret, black blazer, regimental tie and grey flannels led out the 'crocodile' of children from Chadsmoor C.E Junior School in Burns Street, writes *Richard Pursehouse*.

A single, paced beat from his drum kept the children in line. At the Chadsmoor war memorial installed two years ago a few hundred metres away, Steve swapped his beret for a black Staffordshire Regiment helmet as two standard bearers from the Hednesford Staf-

fordshire Regimental Association and the 1st Airborne Division Association took up their positions either side of the memorial. After the ceremony at the memorial, headteacher Mrs Jennie Westley presided over the school assembly during which Canon Pat Maguire continued the theme of sacrifice and remembrance. As the pupils filed out, Mrs Westley introduced Richard to Tom Fawdery whose Shot at Dawn model was on display during the assembly. The model is a replica of the Shot at Dawn memorial at The National Arboretum. Tom



Tom Fawdery and his Shot at Dawn model

explained that his father Neil had drilled over 300 holes into a block of wood to make the model. Tom had discussed the idea at the school where his mother teaches – Maple Hayes Hall School, Burntwood – as well as his own school, resulting in over 300 wooden pegs being painted and named. Members of 1st Norton Canes Scout Group, to which Tom belongs, were also involved. Tom's mother Alison said: "Tom has done really well. It took a lot of bottle to stand up and talk about the project – both at the school and at his scout troop."

Extra staff recruited to answer police calls

MORE call centre workers have been recruited by the Staffordshire and West Midlands police forces after a watchdog criticised them for the number of reports going unanswered. Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) branded Staffordshire Police 'poor' after it was revealed that 7.1 per cent of non-emergency 101 calls and 1.5 per cent of emergency 999 calls were abandoned. And the body said the issue 'cast a shadow' over West Midlands Police where up to a third of non-emergency calls were going unanswered at peak times. Since the Staffordshire force was inspected in the spring, bosses have moved to address the problem. Deputy Chief Constable Nick Baker said: "We have invested in our contact centre and recruited more staff to ensure we answer non-emergency calls in a timely way." The inspection report for West Midlands Police also acknowledged that more staff were being hired, among other solutions. Both forces were rated 'Good' overall for Efficiency which was under review during the inspections. Staffordshire Police 'required improvement' in the category of planning for the future due to the number of calls being missed and a 'not fully formulated' financial plan.

Chamber staff celebrate award

STAFF at Chase Chamber of Commerce are celebrating after being presented with the Employer Recognition Scheme Silver Award by the Ministry of Defence. The presentation took place at the National Memorial Arboretum, to celebrate organisations who have demonstrated their support to defence personnel issues in line with their Armed Forces Covenant pledges. The Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS) encourages employers to support defence and inspire others to do the same. To achieve silver status, the Chamber has demonstrated support in the recruitment of former service personnel, showed flexibility towards annual training commitments and mobilisation of reservist employees, and has signed the Armed Forces Covenant.

Lunch for a fiver

VISITORS to a Heath Hayes church can browse stalls and enjoy a two-course lunch this weekend. Bourne Methodist Church hosts its Christmas fair on Saturday from 10am to 2pm. Lunch will be served from mid-day to 1.30pm at a cost of £5.

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RAIL passengers are being urged to plan their journeys and allow extra time when travelling to Birmingham.

The launch today (Thursday) of the Frankfurt Market signals the start of the busiest time of year in the second city. Last year a record 230,000 people used Birmingham New Street on the first Saturday after the market opened – a figure which is expected to be beaten this year.

Station manager Patrick Power said: “There will be extra staff in place across the station to provide advice and information and help keep passengers safe.”

Mark Goodall, of London Midland, said: “As trains are expected to be much busier than usual over the next few weeks, our advice is to plan your travel options in advance.”

Passengers are also being urged to think ahead and plan their journeys if they will be travelling over Christmas.

As part of its Railway Upgrade Plan, Network Rail will be carrying out a significant amount of improvement work across Britain between December 24 and January 3.

This includes track and signalling upgrades in the Birmingham area.

Passengers can plan their Christmas travel at www.nationalrail.co.uk/christmas

For specific Birmingham New Street station information follow @NetworkRailBHM

MP urges people to check utilities

MP Amanda Milling has encouraged residents to ensure they are getting value for money on their energy bills this winter. Speaking in Parliament, she outlined the benefits of smart meters and switching energy providers in order to reduce household bills.

While an increasing number of customers are switching, the Cannock Chase MP believes more needs to be done to encourage many more people to make the switch.

She said: “Smart meters are a great way of managing your energy bills. However, switching providers altogether is often the best way to get the best deal. I would encourage every constituent to either visit a price comparison site or speak to their current provider.”

Market at church

GREAT Wryley Wesley Methodist Church, in Walsall Road, is holding a mini market on Saturday from 10.30am to midday. Various stalls will be set up, and refreshments will be available. Admission is free.

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Marathon man Andy dies suddenly at 52



Andrew Sean Butler – love of athletics

A RUGELEY man who helped to raise tens of thousands of pounds for charity by taking part in London Marathons has died aged 52.

Andrew Sean Butler suffered a fatal heart attack on October 22, leaving behind his wife Katherine and two young sons Jamie and Nathan.

He began his career in accountancy at Armitage Shanks and then moved to Harpenden to marry Katherine, a local girl.

He then secured a management position with RES, which specialise in the design and implementation of

wind generating systems worldwide.

The only surviving son of Dr Gary Butler, Andrew showed expertise in management control which qualified him to assist his father in the structure of documentation control of Dr Butler’s UK and European appointment as consultant engineer, assessing all electrical and computer control systems, leading to the certification of the Virgin Pendolino high-speed tilting train within the requirements of European and British Standards.

The consequences of all this experience led to his present appointment,

that of the management team of Sir Robert McAlpine, the government-appointed construction company, to assist in planning the structure and implementation of the HS2 project.

His pride in representing Rugeley arose from attending Aelfgar School and the guidance and training he received at Armitage Shanks.

Andrew’s love of athletics and football led him to take part in numerous London Marathons, where he was successful, together with his colleagues, in raising tens of thousands of pounds to support Macmillan Cancer.

Council talks on joining forces over fly-tipping

TWO councils could join forces to tackle issues such as fly-tipping in a bid to save cash.

Cannock Chase Council and Stafford Borough Council are in talks to bring environmental services, which covers issues such as licensing, fly-tipping, food safety, and contaminated land, under one umbrella.

Plans to merge responsibility for planning decisions and information governance between the two authorities could also be considered.

Cannock’s cabinet was meeting yesterday (Wednesday) to consider the idea.

A report to members said the move would ‘significantly increase the opportunity for savings to be delivered’. No details were given about how the savings would be achieved, or how the savings could impact on jobs.

Judith Aupers, head of governance and corporate services for Cannock Chase, said: “Sharing the service is just one of the options to be considered.

Potential

“We will need to await the outcome of this review before any recommendations are put to the cabinet regarding the future delivery of environmental service.

“A business case will need to be established as to the potential savings that could be delivered and other potential benefits such as resilience of the service.”

A decision to merge pest and dog control services, with the borough council to take the lead, was due to be signed off at the meeting.

The two councils have been sharing some services since 2011 including human resources and information technology. So far, this has led to each authority making savings of £558,000 per year.

Borough council leader Councillor Patrick Farrington said: “It is worthy of noting that shared services in relation to the two councils have been ongoing for a number of years.

“Officers have been working very hard to understand services that can be shared without affecting the level of service to the general public. This has led to significant savings for us without actually affecting services.”



Matt Baker happily posing for pictures before continuing on the trek
Picture: Mo Pullen @MoPullen1



Staff at Lookers Mercedes-Benz Stoke get behind the challenge

Rickshaw Challenge takes in Cannock

CROWDS gathered in Cannock to cheer on the riders of The One Show’s Rickshaw Challenge as it took in its new route.

Pudsey Bear’s pals pedalled through Staffordshire at the weekend as part of a 500-mile challenge for Children in Need.

Pictures posted on social media showed presenter Matt Baker happily posing for pictures.

He said: “I really look forward to this time of year, when I get to jump on my bike and hit the road with Team Rickshaw to raise money for BBC Children in Need – a cause that’s near and dear to my heart. It’s the highlight of my year.”

The rickshaw is being pedalled by six young riders, all of whom have been supported by Children in Need funded projects. They aim to be in Glasgow tomorrow (Friday) in time for the appeal show. Visit www.bbc.co.uk/childreninneed

NEWS IN BRIEF

Radio station is given FM licence

A COMMUNITY radio station is set to go live on FM after being granted a licence by Ofcom.

Cannock Chase Radio, which was started in November 2014 by Rob and Jane Hughes, has been given permission to broadcast on FM by the regulator this month.

Jane said: “After a successful launch in Cannock town centre the station went from strength to strength.

“Many new presenters were added to the team and in 2016 we had to look for larger studios. Our Ofcom FM licence was granted this month and FM radio is coming to Cannock Chase, Rugeley and the Trent Valley.”

Health club to advise on joints

NUFFIELD Health Club in Cannock will hold a Meet Our Experts event on Tuesday on the topic of joint care.

On the day, group and one-on-one advice will be offered on how to prevent avoidable joint pain and injury, whether training for a marathon, ski trip or simply keeping active.

The event at the club in East Cannock Road is open to all, and there is no need to book. Anyone attending will need to show photographic ID. For more information and a full list of participating Nuffield Health clubs, visit the Meet Our Experts page.

Archivist in look back at air raids

CITY of Lichfield Men’s Probus welcomed to their meeting Walsall archivist Paul Ford, who spoke on Zeppelin Raids on Walsall.

He illustrated his talk with quotations from residents about the attack on the night of January 31, 1916.

None of the bombs reached the intended targets but they did cause damage and loss of life in the nearby areas. The Congregational church was hit but was unoccupied at the time.

There were casualties including the Lady Mayoress Julia Slater who was injured and later died.

Legends to turn out for ex-keeper Dudley

FORMER stars of Albion and Villa have agreed to play in a benefit match for ex-goalkeeper Derek Dudley.

Dudley, who played for both clubs, is terminally ill at the age of 47.

A Midlands Legends team will take on Romulus Veterans at Sutton Coldfield Town on Sunday.

Dudley lives in Rugeley with his wife Helen and two children Daniel, 13, and Elizabeth, 11. Admission is £3 for adults, £1 children.

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COUNTY NEWS

Family meals are 'rare occasions'

FAMILIES in the West Midlands are being urged to spend more dinner times together after new research found they barely spent more than once a week together.

Furniture and flooring firm SCS has carried out a study which has revealed that one in five families sit down to eat together less than once a week.

The study of 1,000 parents found two out of three families don't sit together to eat every night, with a further 13 per cent saying it's only for special occasions. Seven out of 10 parents wish they were able to have more family feeds, but 40 per cent said working late prevented this.

Gig funds to help Charlie book costs

MUSIC acts and performers will be taking to the stage for a fundraising gig on November 18.

Brian Dakin, whose goes by the stage name Billy Spakemon, is showcasing acts from his Omma N Chain radio show at the Zion Reform Church Hall, in Langley Green Road, Langley.

The Buskin' For Charlie event will be raising funds for the book Billy is writing on the life of cartoonist Charlie Grigg. Mr Grigg sketched the famous comic characters Desperate Dan and Korky the Cat.

The free event runs from 1pm to 4pm. People can leave donations towards the book.

Grandparents do even more

THE extent of grandparents providing childcare in is much higher than previously thought and is a factor in assisting mums, who had taken time out from work to have children, to get back into the workplace, according to new research carried out at the University of Birmingham.

The study in the Journal of Social Policy, found grandparents were the first named source of after school and weekend care for 36 per cent of school entry year children for lone parents.

Satriani and co to unite for show

GUITAR virtuoso Joe Satriani will entertain fans with a new show coming to Birmingham next year.

The American icon, aged 61, will play alongside former Scorpions' guitarist Uli Jon Roth and Dream Theater's guitarist John Petrucci. Each will perform their own set, followed by a massive jam at the end of the show.

The G3 will be at Birmingham's Symphony Hall on April 30.

City is top for stubbing out habit

SMOKERS in Wolverhampton are giving up the bad habit more than anywhere else in the region, recent figures have revealed.

The percentage of smokers in Wolverhampton dropped from 22.9 per cent in 2012 to 16.5 per cent in 2016, more than anywhere else in the West Midlands, according to a study by Public Health England.

The second biggest drop in the region was Walsall which decreased by 5.5 per cent in the four years, followed by Sandwell which fell by 3.9 per cent.

Both Staffordshire and Dudley saw only a small decrease in the percentage of smokers with 1.2 per cent.

Councillor Paul Sweet, Wolverhampton Council's cabinet member for public health and wellbeing, said: "While it is pleasing to see that the proportion of adults who smoke has

fallen markedly in Wolverhampton over the last five years, and particularly in the last year, it is still too high.

"Quitting smoking is not only healthier for you and your family, it can also save you hundreds of pounds a year."

"Smokefree school programmes are offered at both primary and secondary schools around Wolverhampton to

prevent young people from picking up the habit and carrying that addiction onto into adulthood.

To help people quit smoking, support is available from Wolverhampton Healthy Lifestyles Service, GP practices and pharmacies.

Also online at www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/stopsmoking where there is a self referral option for face-to-face support.

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"PSPOs are intended to address anti-social activities carried out in public, and the proposed order will identify a particular public space and either prohibit specified activities or require steps to be taken to ensure our public spaces are more welcoming for the community to use."

For details call 01543 462621.

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A HOST of household names have stepped up to support our Feed A Family campaign, with kind-hearted readers generously donating to the cause.

Former Emmerdale star Lisa Riley, who will be appearing in Jack and The Beanstalk at Wolverhampton Grand, and antiques expert Will Farmer, have already backed our campaign, saying it was a great way to help those who may be struggling at this time of year.

The slalom canoeist and gold medalist Joe Clarke, from Stafford and Stone Canoe Club, has also backed the campaign. Joe, aged 24, who won a gold medal in Rio, said it was the time of year when it was important to think of others, adding: "Christmas time is for family and giving."

The campaign has been launched by The Chronicle and the Express & Star to help support local food banks, charities working with the homeless and The Haven women's refuge.

It comes after latest figures showed almost 10,000 emergency food parcels have been handed out by food banks in Staffordshire, the Black Country, and the Wyre Forest district during six months.

Statistics from the Trussell Trust showed its network of charities are continuing to be busy helping families that are struggling to make ends meet.

Delays in benefits and changes to the system remain the biggest cause of someone being referred to a food bank by a doctor, social worker or jobcentre.

Many food banks have seen an increase in the number of people turning to them for help.

Overall, Trussell Trust charity food banks in Walsall North, Great Barr, Smethwick, Quinton and Oldbury, Cannock and District, Rugeley and Kidderminster gave out



Staffordshire canoeist Joe Clarke - 'Christmas time is for family and giving'

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puddings, as well as basics including canned goods, long-life milk, fruit juice, pasta and rice.

We just ask that festive food has a best-before date of the end of January. Non-food items such as toiletries, new socks and small gifts are also welcome.

The appeal runs until December 16. The good causes we are supporting include The Well (home of Wolverhampton Food Bank), the Good Shepherd Ministry, based in Wolverhampton, Walsall North Food Bank and Cannock and District Food Bank.

For the full list of items you can donate see expressandstar.com

Safety scheme to combat speeding

ROAD safety improvements are being installed close to a school in response to concerns about speeding.

Four speed bumps are being introduced on the B5014 Uttoxeter Road and a further set in School Lane, Hill Ridware, while a zebra crossing and a mini roundabout are being installed at the junction between the two roads.

The measures will improve safety in and around Henry Chadwick Community Primary. Staffordshire County Council is carrying out the works which will continue for about a fortnight.

Highways chief Councillor Helen Fisher said: "This scheme has come about as a result of close working between Hill Ridware Parish Council and our highways team, and we're pleased to see it implemented."

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Rotary club and Lions' Santa tour of estates

RUGELEY Lions Club with Rugeley Rotary Club have once again been asked to take Santa around the local estates in Rugeley for two weeks starting on Monday, December 4.

The first evening he will be touring the Chadsfield Estate, moving to Station Road and then to the area around St Anthonys Close, Heron Street and Talbot Street.

December 5 sees him covering the area around Chase Side Road, Greenfields Drive and Plovers Rise. The next night he will move outside Rugeley, to Hill Ridware and Colton. Thursday will be the turn of Springfields Estate to see Santa in all his glory, and the first week finishes around Little Haywood on Friday, December 8.

The visits recommence on Monday, December 11 around Etching-hill starting from Stag Close, taking in Penk Drive and Bower Lane. December 12 sees Santa in Wolseley Road from Leyland Drive to Levett Grange and then Old Eaton Road.

Chaseley Road and Woodcock Road have their turn on December 13 and afterwards Slitting Mill.

On the penultimate evening, Thursday, December 14, Burnthill Lane and Pear Tree Estate will get a visit from Santa and on the final night, Friday, December 15, it will be the turn of Upper Birches, Draycott Estate and finally Upper Longdon.

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Runners at ready for 10k road race

HUNDREDS of runners will pound The Chase for the annual Rotary Club of Cannock 10k road race on Sunday.

Cannock Chase MP Amanda Milling will get the race under way at 11am from Marquis Drive.

It is the eighth such race and will raise money for good causes supported by The Rotary Club.

Every finisher will receive a commemorative medal and the race will be accurately timed. #

Prizes are awarded to the first three male and female finishers as well as age category winners and the best fancy dress.

Entry fee is £12. To register, visit www.cambaevents.com, enter online at www.stuweb.co.uk or enter on the day for £15.

A walk in the park

CHASE Ramblers' walk this Sunday is an eight-mile easy walk in Sutton Park, meeting at Hednesford railway station car park for a 9am prompt departure. For details contact 01543 459746. New walkers are welcome.

Amnesty to keep guns out of harm's way



The amnesty runs until November 26

PEOPLE in Staffordshire are being urged to hand over any unwanted guns as part of a two-week surrender of firearms and ammunition.

It has been three years since the last national firearms surrender.

Many firearms are held in innocence and ignorance of their illegality or are overlooked and forgotten in people's homes, the police say.

Others are acquired and distributed by criminal networks. The surrender gives people the chance to dispose of a firearm or ammunition by simply taking it to a police station and handing

it in. Supt Carl Ratcliffe, head of prevention and early intervention, said: "You don't have to give your name or address; we just want more firearms out of harm's way. We are lucky to have very low levels of gun crime in Staffordshire, but for that to remain we must prevent firearms ending up in criminal hands."

The surrender initiative is being co-ordinated by the National Ballistics Intelligence Service (NABIS) and will run to Sunday, November 26.

During that period, those handing over firearms will not face prosecution for the illegal possession, at the point of surrender, and can remain anonymous. Guns and ammunition can be surrendered at Hanley, Longton, Burslem, Leek, Cannock, Burton, Tamworth and Stafford police stations.

During the last national firearms surrender in 2014 more than 6,000 items were handed in. The Staffordshire force received just over 200 firearms. For more information about the NABIS visit www.nabis.police.uk or follow them on Twitter @NABIS_UK

'Cross-border' burglars linked to crimewave

BURGLARIES have soared in parts of Staffordshire this year to the point where some areas of the county are seeing more than one break-in a day.

On the back of a crime spree in Great Wyrley – where six properties were hit in 48 hours – figures obtained by the Chronicle's sister paper the Express & Star reveal the true scale of house raids in 2017.

South Staffordshire, which includes Great Wyrley, has seen 289 burglaries in the first nine months of this year – equal to 272 days, compared with 167 in the whole of 2016.

Stafford has seen a similar spike with 250 incidents reported in the period compared with 198 in total last year.

It is a similar story in Lichfield, including Burntwood, where the 201 break-ins between January 1 and September 31 are exactly equal to the total recorded in 2016.

Priority

In Cannock Chase, rates have remained static with 173 burglaries in the period compared with 228 in the whole of 2016.

A Staffordshire Police spokesman said: "The increase on South Staffordshire this year correlates with offences including car key burglaries and is predominantly due to cross-border offenders impacting on the county."

"This is a priority for the force and has resulted in significant arrests being made leading to a reduction in car key burglaries in recent weeks."

Residential burglaries in South Staffordshire peaked at 71 in August this year, although they have fallen slightly since then.

Commander for the area Inspector Richard Meaden said: "We have worked hard to reduce offences and disrupt criminals. A number of key offenders have been arrested and charged, which has reduced offences of burglary."

"We have a daily patrol strategy including overnight patrolling by officers and support from our colleagues from the Central Motorway Police Group."

August was also the peak month in Stafford where there were 48 incidents.

Skills bear fruit on Masters list



Lorraine Taylor and Nicky Smart from Penkridge Ceramics

TWO artists behind the successful Penkridge Ceramics business have been named in a list of the 100 most talented and skilled Masters from the Black Country.

Creative Black Country, which set out to identify the 100 Masters, is gradually releasing the names of those who made the list – and the latest batch includes

Lorraine Taylor and Nicky Smart of Penkridge Ceramics.

The firm was established in 1984 in Penkridge by the pair after attaining BA and MA qualifications in their chosen field of ceramics.

On leaving college they started working together and creating the collectable range of ceramic fruits,

vegetables and horse chestnuts known as 'Penkridge Ceramics'.

In 1993 they moved to Walsall, to a larger workshop.

All 100 masters will feature in a supplement in sister paper the Express & Star soon. And there will be a special Festival of Masters event in Wolverhampton on November 24.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Police warning on 'tree surgeon' con

A BOGUS tree surgeon conned a homeowner out of a 'large amount of cash' after agreeing to carry out work.

He approached the home in St James Road, Norton Canes, on Thursday at 7.45am.

The suspect was described as white, of large build, and wearing navy blue clothing. He fled in a small white van towards Norton East Road.

Paula James, community engagement officer at Staffordshire Police, said: "We are urging residents, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, to be on their guard. The resident handed over a large amount of cash to the man and he then left."

Charity's shops in plea for donations

BARNARDO'S shops in Staffordshire are asking people to have a pre-Christmas sort-out and donate their pre-loved winter woollies to a local shop.

The charity desperately needs adults' and children's winter clothing as well as toys.

Money raised in the shops is ploughed back into local Barnardo's projects. In Staffordshire, Barnardo's offers a range of services to support families through several children's centres and also provides an essential mentoring and befriending service for children in care.

Firm to expand in £1.7m investment

A CANNOCK-BASED company is set to expand its operation with a £1.7 million investment.

Linecross Composites, manufacturers of engineered thermoformed and polyurethane components, has embarked on another phase of expansion with continued investment in its Bridgton site.

The company has said the move will bring in new jobs.

An investment of around £1.7m has been made in new equipment and improvements to its base, which is at Green Lane.

Flower club evening to have a festive theme

NORTON Canes Flower Club will be presenting A Cheshire Christmas – an evening of flowers with Ian Lloyd – on Tuesday, November 21.

The event will be held at the Prince of Wales Theatre in Cannock, starting at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £8 and are available from 01543 279133 or from the theatre box office.

The organisers say everyone is welcome to go along to the evening.

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IN MY VIEW

with Mark Andrews



Pay rise? I shouldn't get your hopes up

HERE'S something to give you a warm glow on these bitter, cold mornings. Next year we will all get bumper pay rises.

How do I know? The governor of the Bank of England says so. A report by Mark Carney says pay rises next year will be "clustered around 2.5 to 3.5 per cent".

The obvious question is how can he possibly know this?

If the figure had been produced by Kim Jong Un, it might have carried a bit of weight. After all, he and his cronies are the ones who decide how much everybody in North Korea gets paid. Although I suspect in North Korea, "clustered around 2.5 to 3.5 per cent" probably means "500 per cent for Kim Jong Un and an extra bowl of rice for everyone else."

Mark Carney, though, has no control whatsoever over the pay rises people get. About the only influence he has is chairing a committee which meets occasionally to set interest rates.

His forecast is based on a survey of major employers, but I really don't think chatting to a few captains of industry represents the 4.6 million people in the UK who are self-employed. Or the 60 per cent who work for small and medium-sized businesses.

Mr Carney, you might remember, predicted instant economic meltdown if Britain voted to leave the EU. Well that was 17 months ago and we're still waiting. And of course, the pollsters forecast a comfortable referendum victory for Remain, an easy win for Hillary Clinton, and a landslide for the Conservatives in the summer. Probably best not to spend that pay rise yet, then.

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JUST when you think you have heard it all, Highways England is now carrying out an experiment with traffic lights on the motorway, where the M6 meets the M62 in Cheshire. This is on top of the regular 40mph speed limits we have all become accustomed to along the M6. Why not just stick a few speed humps in and be done with it?

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MEANWHILE, 22-year-old university graduate Eddie Ledsham has quit as a trainee teacher, saying he was left "crying his eyes out" by the workload. His grievances include not getting home until 6.30pm, working through lunch, and thinking about work while on the train.

He also said his colleagues criticised him when he did wrong, but didn't praise him when he got things right.

And they wonder what we mean by "generation snowflake".

More rockets in explosive week at parliament



Chris Grayling, surely on the wrong track when looking at the future of transport



Michael Fallon, whose fall from grace sparked the media's use of an archaic saying



Yorkshire vet Julian Norton, as seen on Channel 5, with dog slobbering highlighted

When fireworks fun sparks elderly fears

A READER in her 80s who suffers from an irregular heartbeat describes her local bonfire night as "every bit as frightening as the bombings over my home town in the 1940s... screaming rockets soaring noisily above my garden and then exploding with such force the front window shook... little dogs screaming in terror, my heart fast and painful."

NOW, you may think comparing Bonfire Night with the Blitz is over the top. But I remember interviewing an old chap in Birmingham whose nightly ritual at this time of year was to build his own little air-raid shelter under the kitchen table where he cocooned himself and his dog against the detonations of other folks' fun. He, too, compared Bonfire night to the war. Simple question: in the name of having a good time, how much of a thoroughly bad time are we prepared to inflict on others?

"WE'VE seen nothing in our lifetime that can compare with the motoring revolution that's just around the corner." So says Transport Secretary Chris Grayling on the advent of driverless cars. And yet there's one massive transport revolution happening that no-one in Whitehall seems to want to see. It is a train in a tube called Hyperloop which its Los Angeles makers claim will cruise at 600 mph. Meanwhile Britain is plodding ahead with HS2, an unaffordable £100 billion exercise in using 20th century technology to update a 19th century concept to serve 21st century commuters.

AFTER taking up cudgels and leaving some-

THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



one in the lurch, here's another ancient expression that's long overdue for modernising. When Michael Knee-Toucher Fallon was sacked as defence secretary, the media agreed his was the first scalp in Westminster's sex scandal. Scalp? For goodness' sake, how long is it since American Indians gave up scalping people?

AS Parliament agonises about the latest rash of sex scandals, one reader wants to make the point that not all victims of sexual assault are scarred for life. As an airman in the RAF at the age of 19 and 20, he was regularly stripped and groped by about a dozen older women at the local laundry. Far from complaining, he recalls it was "rather empowering, being an object of lust or desire." No wonder some blokes recall National Service so fondly. The key word in all this, of course, is consent. By coincidence, another male reader writes to say he's still traumatised by the "initiation" he suffered as an apprentice at an engineering works in the Black Country, courtesy of the women from the machine shop. They stripped him and smeared his nether regions with engineering grease. He recalls nothing but "anguish, pain and suffering."

THERE'S a modern trend for couples to combine their surnames when marrying, sometimes

to preserve the bride's maiden name and sometimes just to look posh. But there are risks. A Daily Telegraph reader recalls a couple who, despite the urgings of their friends, declined to become double-barrelled. Which is perhaps as well. She is Carr and he is Parkin.

THE Yorkshire Vet (C5) introduced us to a particularly revolting habit – kissing pets. A woman repeatedly allowed her dog to lick her on the mouth. Do these owners never watch what their pets are up to? As they snog their cats and dogs in full view of the rest of us, do they ask themselves what was the last thing the animal was licking?

IN one of those little annual rituals that barely gets a mention in the media, bellringers all over England have been preparing for this sacred weekend of remembrance by fitting leather pads and straps to the clappers of their great bronze bells. This creates what is known as the "half-muffled" effect. If you ever wondered why the bells sound different on Remembrance Sunday, that's why.

THE timing of the Armistice on November 11, 1918, was down to fate. Another victory or defeat on the Western Front could have brought the ceasefire forward to spring or pushed it back to mid-winter. As it is, remembrance sits very well with mid-November. The chilly closing-down of the year reflects the sad drawing-down of blinds in bereaved households. It wouldn't be the same if we gathered at the war memorial in shorts and T-shirts..

TALKING POINT



Bus travel: I just want to be left in peace

AS a regular bus user, my other half just loves to hear my tales of the daily journey to and from work (!).

Every day, she awaits my boring conversations like... "So this bloke sitting next to me said..." or "You know that woman on the bus?"

Like the time I waited more than an hour for the 154, but a 59, 89 and number 6 turned up and I calculated I could have caught all three of those instead. Mind you, I always bore her anyway.

But I digress. There is a serious side to this point. Remember Doug Pauley? He is the wheelchair user who, more than a year ago, opened a can of public transport worms.

The pensioner won a landmark Supreme Court case allowing bus companies to ask non-disabled passengers to vacate in favour of wheelchair users. He had begun his fight five years previously when he was left at a bus stop as a mother with a buggy refused to budge.

The ruling sparked a wheelchair versus buggies debate. Who warrants space? Who is the most needy?

Often we hear of passengers refusing to give up their seat for the elderly, or for pregnant women. My own view, is that in a day and age when many buses are full of mod-cons, like digital stop displays, CCTV, wi-fi and charging points, surely there is room for wheelchair users and buggies alike.

Many drivers have refused to get involved, saying they have enough to contend with keeping to routes and times and ensuring people pay.

Meanwhile, passengers, are told to 'see something, say something'. Very admirable, and of course if there is a serious incident, one would like to think that people wouldn't just sit in silence.

However, many of us just want to sit in peace, read the paper, listen to music and not disturb others. So, to that end, I have made my own list of what would make my bus journey more pleasurable.

Have money ready before boarding the bus and don't fiddle about looking for change when you step on; put the paper back in the rack, please; take rubbish with you instead of leaving papers shoved down the side of seats and bottles and cans rolling around; more importantly, I may appreciate your music, but you don't have to share it with me. Turn it down!

Oh, and why do some people insist on sitting by the aisle seat with their bags on the window seat next to them? Just budge over, for heavens sake.

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He made us all laugh . . . right until the end

'HE was happy, right until the end' – a grandfather who was known fondly as Mr Happy after a stroke left him unable to feel sadness, has died.

Malcolm Myatt became well known around Hednesford as the man who would always be laughing and joking.

But the retired lorry driver passed away unexpectedly after collapsing at Hednesford railway station aged 72 last month, it has now emerged.

Aston Villa fanatic Malcolm, who had once been a first-class referee, suffered a stroke in 2004 which completely changed his life.

He was so ill he was read the last rites but after a 19-week stay in hospital he fought back to recover.

Changed

However, Malcolm would not be the same again. He was disabled with little to no use of his left arm and a very weak left leg making it difficult to walk. It also brought on vascular dementia due to reduced blood flow to the brain, but there was an unexpected behavioural consequence: Malcolm could no longer feel sad.

His wife Kath, 71, said: "He was outgoing anyway but after the stroke it changed. He just wanted to make everybody laugh. If he made you laugh he had done his job."

"He would just tell you jokes and sometimes because of his dementia he would forget he had already told you them. He was never sad anymore. But everybody loved him – everyone in the supermarket and the stroke groups. They all knew him as Mr Happy."

There was also a downside to his unique condition. Funerals in particular would be tense due to Malcolm's



Malcolm Myatt, who suffered a life-changing stroke, with his wife Kath

unrelenting happy persona. He also became more childlike in some of his tendencies.

Kath said: "Last year it was our golden anniversary and I asked him what he wanted to do. He said 'I want to see Mickey Mouse'. So we did, we flew to America and went to Disney World, and he loved it."

On Friday, October 20, the couple were heading to Birmingham for the day but while they were waiting for their train at Hednesford railway sta-

tion Malcolm collapsed suddenly. Kath said: "I was collecting the tickets and someone ran to me saying 'Your husband has collapsed'. That was it."

She added: "It is so weird without him. So quiet. But he was so happy when he died. We were going to Lego-land the next day and he was excited. He was happy right until the end."

Malcolm is survived by Kath, his daughter Beverley, and three grandchildren Aaron, nine, Dominic, seven, and Owen, 14 months.



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Time to donate toys for needy children

RUGELEY & District Lions Club is, once again, appealing for toys to help needy children this Christmas. Unwrapped new or unused toys can be handed in at authorised drop-off points at St Josephs Community Centre, Lichfield Street (during weekend opening hours); Tesco, Power Station Road, Rugeley; and Gymphobics, Market Street, Rugeley. All donations need to be received by Sunday, December 10 when they will be taken by Rugeley Lions to the Salvation Army Christmas toy service for distribution to children who would otherwise receive nothing over Christmas. For further details please contact Lion Deb Coburn on 07970 380746. The club will also be assisting Santa in his Grotto at Wyevale Garden Centre at Wolsley Bridge. It will be open Saturdays and Sundays from December 2 to 23 between 10.30am and 3pm approximately. He will provide toys for the children or just a photo opportunity (for all ages!) in consideration of a modest donation. Come along and see the old fellow – he gets lonely very quickly. If you want to bring a group outside normal times, this can possibly be arranged –contact the Lions through social media or email randdliions@hotmail.com **PETER FIELDING** Rugeley & District Lions Club

Get back in touch with shipmates

MANY readers would have served in the Royal Navy and, having left, are missing the camaraderie they had with their old shipmates. They should get the monthly mailing list of Royal Navy Reunions giving the dates, where it is being held and who to contact. Have a look at www.rnshipmates.co.uk. What does it cost? Nothing. Nothing because the listings are all collected, compiled and then sent out by email. There are no subscriptions or donations. But more important, it is also thanks to the hundreds of local newspapers, just like this one and others, for printing my letters and subsequently reuniting Lost Shipmates. **MIKE CROWE** RN Shipmates

Inconsiderate actions caused so much grief

WE have a message for the people who were setting off fireworks on Sunday in the area between Etching Hill and the Springfields Estate at around 6.15pm. Your irresponsible, inconsiderate actions led to the untimely death of our beautiful, much-loved cat Bertie. One of you ignited the massive firework that totally spooked him, causing him to dash across our road in panic. This gave the driver of the oncoming car no chance of stopping, and Bertie died a few minutes later. We took him to mid-Wales from October 28 until November 6 to keep him safely away from the noise of fireworks, but you should not have to keep pets inside a week after November 5. Please, please spare other pet owners the grief and heart-break we are going through. If you must have fireworks, let them off on November 5 or the Saturday closest to it. We would support an outright ban on their sale to the public, or a law restricting their use to certain specific days. **GEOFF AND SHARON PAINTER** Rugeley

Which celebrity did this holiday doodle?

I WORK for Revitalise, a national charity that provides respite holidays for disabled people and carers, so we know just how important holidays are. That's why we've launched Wish You Were Here – a campaign to shine a light on the reasons why taking a break is so important. We've invited a glittering array of celebrities to send us a doodle or some words about a treasured holiday memory on a bespoke postcard but five are unsigned so we're inviting readers to join in the conversation on social media using the hashtag #whosedoodle on Twitter at @RevitaliseNow **STEPHANIE STONE** Revitalise

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From dame to opening of Olympics

Etching Hill WI

GUEST speaker Chris Knight introduced himself not only as an after dinner speaker and compère but as the dame in pant!

Professionally he is a funeral celebrant. During a Rotary conference in Southport, Ellie Crisell, presenter on Newsround asked whether he had considered applying to volunteer in the 2012 Olympic Games.

Subsequently, he completed the online application form, and was duly short-listed to attend an audition at the Three Mills Film Studio, Bromley by Bow, London.

The organisers observed the applicants' ability to mix and how well they worked with others. A choreographed routine was taught and performed and Chris was asked to attend a second audition where a five minute routine was taught by choreographer Toby Sedgwick.

In January 2012 Chris received an email offering him a role in the opening ceremony.

On July 27 at 20.12 The Red Arrows flew over the Olympic Stadium and the Games were opened by HM Queen Elizabeth at 21.00. He said it was a very emotional night with all the hard work and many hours of rehearsing finally being played out.

The lunch club enjoyed their gathering at The Greyhound Inn, Burston. A skittles evening has been arranged for November.

Getting the hang of baskets project



The completed 'Baskets' to honour Breast Cancer Awareness Month

BEFORE the formal meeting commenced, The Riddware WI welcomed Fran Locker, representing Riddware Against HS2, who revealed plans to use the main road through Hill Riddware as a construction road for the high speed railway, with 376 large haulage lorries per day passing through. Furthermore, hedgerows and established oak trees were to be obliterated to facilitate this.

Byron Lewis, proprietor of Lichfield Garden Centre, advised the ladies on all the beautiful plants to add colour and interest throughout autumn/winter. As preparations were in hand to plant up the 'Baskets', he also had suggestions for suitable plants. After taking questions from the

The Riddware WI

floor, he judged the vase of garden foliage competition, won by Karen Wakefield.

Several members attended Staffordshire Federation WI Annual Council Meeting at The County Showground and were very pleased to learn that The Riddware WI had been awarded the Freda Houldcroft Trophy for the best design of a WI welcome card.

The next meeting will be a members' craft evening on November 21. The annual Tinsel and Trimmings Evening will be on November 30, from 6.30pm.

Talk centres on Zeppelin outrage

THE Midland Zeppelin Outrage was the subject a talk given by Ian Bott to the Society in October.

On January 31, 1916 a squadron of heavily armed airships left German naval bases on course towards Britain. They entered a country shrouded in dense

Lander Society

fog which hindered their otherwise meticulously planned objectives. Each individual airship sought prime targets to unleash their missiles and steered their craft towards the in-

dustrial Midlands. It caused death and destruction on an unprecedented scale.

It is stated that 67 lives were lost, but Ian, through thorough research, said he could name 70 victims. He related the stories of some in his talk and has written a book on the subject.

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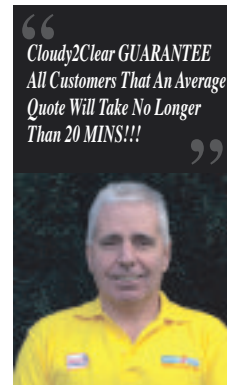
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Crematorium on green-belt land is given the go-ahead

PLANS to build a crematorium on green-belt land have been given the go-ahead by the Government – ending a three-year battle.

The plans for the site in Broad Lane, Essington, were submitted in 2014 and refused by South Staffordshire Council in 2015. Applicant Westerleigh Group appealed the decision, which led to a public inquiry earlier this year where a government inspector upheld the council's ruling.

Now, the Secretary of State for the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has overturned that decision – meaning it will go ahead.

Councillor David Clift, who represents Essington, said: "I am absolutely gobsmacked. The Government has over-ridden the planning inspector, which I have never known, certainly in Essington, in 20 years. It is very disappointing for the residents."

The Secretary of State ruled that the proposal met 'very special circumstances' because it would relieve pressure on Bushbury Crematorium in Wolverhampton, five miles away.

A decision by the council to reject plans for a crematorium at Holyhead Road, Codsall – the so-called Wergs scheme – that applicant Dignity UK had appealed was also reviewed.

The decision to reject the Wergs scheme was upheld as it was said a crematorium in Essington would serve more than twice as many people and relieve pressure on Streetly Crematorium in Walsall.

The judgment said: "The appeal scheme would potentially serve a significantly larger number of people than the Wergs scheme and could provide some relief to the Streetly Crematorium."

Westerleigh's plans have been opposed by residents, with more than 600 people signing a petition against it.

Pete's tribute to royal anniversary



Hednesford stamps artist Pete Mason with his latest work, celebrating the royal anniversary

LET'S be frank – this is no ordinary homage to the Queen and Prince Philip.

Artist Pete Mason has painstakingly compiled the picture made of recycled postage stamps to mark the royal couple's 70th wedding anniversary on Monday. It is the latest unique masterpiece by the retired art teacher from Hednesford.

Earlier this year, Pete completes a 9ft-square por-

trait of the Queen. Realising Her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh were due to celebrate 70 years of married life saw him set to work on his latest piece.

Pete, 74, said: "It probably took me just over three weeks of hard graft, doing four hours a day every day. I would think there's probably around 5,000 stamps on this one and there were a lot of fiddly bits. It was a pleasure to do from beginning to end."

Bins run comes to end

A 12-MONTH run of contamination-free recycling in Cannock Chase has come to an end.

After a contamination campaign to inform residents over what can be put in blue recycling bins, the district council went 12 months contamination free.

However, it had two rejected loads of dry recycling last month, because they contained nappies and food waste. Now, information – including important Christmas collection changes – will be distributed to 42,500 households over the next few weeks.

The information booklet will also remind residents which item goes in which bin. Councillor John Preece, portfolio leader for the environment at Cannock Chase Council, said: "It is important that residents make room and keep these calendars on the fridge, not only as a reminder of when to put the bins out, but of what goes in which bin."

Residents are reminded that any bin found to have the wrong items in it will not be emptied and will receive a warning tag. To find out what goes in which bin, use the 'Click to search' facility at www.cannockchase.gov.uk/whichbin

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David's art display has plenty of star quality

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However, those going along to Cannock Library to see the exhibition may be scratching their heads trying to recognise one particular picture, which happens to be the artist himself, David Brevitt.

The 70-year-old from Rugeley has around 20 oil paintings on display at the venue at the moment which will remain there until the end of the month.

Interesting

Actors Clint Eastwood and Morgan Freeman are also among the selection.

David spends up to four hours painting each one.

He said: "I just find portraits more interesting to do."

"I feel the characters come out while you are painting."

"I just see a picture in a paper or magazine, one that attracts me, and go from there."

"I always paint from photographs, never real-life, because people can't stay still long enough."

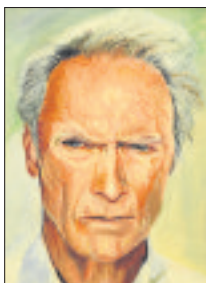
The former contracts manager, who is now retired, is hoping to put on a demonstration at the library some time before the exhibition closes.



Dave Brevitt, of Rugeley, with some of the work on display at Cannock Library



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Julie Bailey is now a patient complaint consultant

Fight for a better NHS will continue

TEN years ago my mother, Bella Bailey, died on Ward 11 of Stafford Hospital. In her final days she suffered horrendously at the hands of those who should have cared for her.

What I saw on that ward will stay with me for the rest of my life. It is a story I have told many times over the last 10 years, and while patient safety has certainly been put on the agenda, the sad fact is that so little has actually changed.

With a workforce crisis looming, many fear, including myself, that we will return to those dark days of Mid Staffs where patients were forgotten and balancing the books, the priority.

Losing my mum hit hard and still does. She just shouldn't have suffered the way she did. I still have so many unanswered questions, something I share with thousands of families who have also seen loved ones suffer poor NHS care.

The problem is when you don't get those answers you find it difficult to ever get over that loss. "Move on," people say. But how can you move on when you don't even know what happened, when you don't even know what you are moving on from?

Mistakes

It is not unusual for the process of an NHS investigation to be as traumatic as the event itself.

There has been no real development of the NHS complaints and investigations process since the Mid Staffs scandal was first uncovered. This must change.

Mistakes happen. Medicine is a risky and often experimental field. But we must not be afraid to do all we can to eliminate those mistakes and identify the reasons why they occur. A thorough investigation should recognise what went wrong, before exploring all possible solutions.

Once a suitable solution has been found this should be shared with the wider NHS to foster a culture of growth and learning. The NHS does not do this well. Neither does it do listening to patients well, to find out what went wrong in the first place.

I would not deny that some progress has been made. In the Mid Staffs Public Inquiry Robert Francis found a culture of only talking about the positives rather than any critical analysis.

Those days have gone. And this is a significant development – as any ad-

Ten years after her mother's death at Stafford Hospital, campaigner JULIE BAILEY explains here why the NHS still has a long way to go



Bella Bailey died in hospital

dict will tell you, the first step towards recovery is admitting you have a problem. Mid Staffs put patient safety firmly on the agenda and I must commend the Health Secretary, Jeremy Hunt, for his commitment on this issue. It is a cause he has pursued with far more vigour than any of his predecessors.

My time is now spent trying to help people through the complaints system. I advocate for those unable to navigate their way through the system of NHS complaints, the system that often drives people to despair.

I work as an independent patient complaint consultant, offering the benefit of my experience to families who have nowhere else to turn.

I am filled with hope that so many have the courage to stand up for what they believe in.

Together we can create the health service we all deserve, but let's get on and do it.

● This is an abridged version of an article which first appeared at www.curethenhs.co.uk/10-year-anniversary/



Final warning on Pc's misconduct

A CONSTABLE found guilty of misconduct for using racially offensive language has been given a final written warning by Staffordshire Police.

The force's independent panel heard evidence surrounding the claims made against Pc Andrew Goodwin and concluded that he was guilty of misconduct.

He faced the panel alongside two other officers, who were found to have no case to answer. The incident involved Pc Goodwin using 'insensitive language', which was overheard by other members of staff.

Deputy Chief Constable Nick Baker said: "We expect the highest standards of professionalism and integrity from all officers and staff. If and when this is called into question we take the matter seriously and work to ensure this does not happen again. We will continue to address any behaviour that falls below the mark."

'Don't hesitate' advice to vulnerable on staying well

THE elderly and vulnerable shouldn't hesitate this winter, but seek help at the first sign of an illness – even if it's just a cough or a cold.

That's the message from health experts to the over-65s, the pregnant, parents of small children and those with long-term health conditions.

Councillor Alan White, Staffordshire County Council's cabinet member for health, care and wellbeing,

said: "Those who are eligible for free flu vaccinations should have them as soon as possible if they haven't already done so – it's free because they need it."

"The important thing for those who may be more vulnerable is that if you start to feel unwell, even for just a cough or a cold, see your pharmacist as soon as possible for advice before it gets more serious."

Although autumn has been mild, so far, experts say it's important to keep warm indoors and outdoors as

it helps prevent colds, flu and more serious problems including heart attacks, pneumonia and strokes.

Homes should be heated to at least 18°C (65°F) with the living room slightly warmer. Additional advice about getting help heating your home is available at www.gov.uk/browse/benefits/heating

Alan White added: "It's important to plan ahead to look after ourselves, but for those we also take care of."

Additional information can be found at www.nhs.uk/staywell

Drivers alerted to 'defrosting' threat

STAFFORDSHIRE Police are appealing to motorists to not leave their keys in the ignition and engines running while they defrost their windscreens.

The appeal follows a recent theft of a vehicle when the driver left his engine running as he popped into his house to collect his bag. The car had a tracker and was quickly recovered and an arrest was made.

Many motorists have been caught out on frosty mornings and need to be aware that if they leave their car unattended, with the keys in the ignition, that there is a chance that their insurance will be invalid, leaving them without a car and out of pocket, a force spokesman said.

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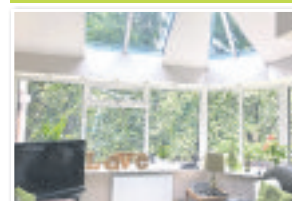
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Bright future as school celebrates report

Commercial feature

Headteacher Lee Taylor and the team of leaders, teachers, governors, pupils, support staff and families are celebrating the results of Great Wyrley High School's first Ofsted monitoring visit.

The report stated: "The arrival of the current headteacher in January 2017 has seen a rapid improvement in the school."

"The rate of improvement has accelerated further at the start of this academic year as new leaders have taken up post and they have implemented new policies and systems."

"Clear improvement is now evident in behaviour, teaching, the curriculum, governance, pastoral care and links with primary schools."

"Staff who spoke to inspectors all said that the school is improving because of the leadership of the headteacher and his senior team."

Detailed

"They feel very positively about the school's future and morale is good."

"It is to leaders' and governors' credit that the continued uncertainty around academy conversion is not slowing the pace of improvement in the school."

"Leaders and governors know the school well. Their self-evaluation is detailed and honest."

"They understand the many areas that need to improve. Their plans to bring about improvement are clear and well-focused on the school's top priorities."

"Governors now know the school well, including its key priorities for improvement. They are very committed to the school and are effectively holding leaders to account for its performance."

"The school's safeguarding arrangements are effective. Its leadership is meticulous."

"Subject and pastoral middle leaders form a positive and committed team. They are optimistic about the school's future and they



The Excellence Academy was launched to ensure the most-able Year 7 students are pushed

welcome the support that they now receive from senior leaders.

"Leaders have rightly made improving teaching one of the school's top priorities. They have introduced clear expectations of teachers' planning, assessment and behaviour management. Training has been well focused on ensuring that staff understand these expectations. Senior leaders' monitoring of teaching has focused on checking that staff are putting them into practice."

Leadership of the school's sixth form was identified as weak at the previous inspection. The inspection found this had improved

considerably since then. The report states:

"Leaders have improved the sixth form environment and have introduced 'work plans' to support students who are falling behind with their studies."

Students told inspectors that they enjoy being in the sixth form and are glad they chose to stay at the school.

All who applied to university secured a place at their first choice.

Since January 2017, leaders have sourced external support from the City Learning Trust in improving teaching, curriculum planning and leadership of mathematics. This support has



Inspectors found that 'staff feel very positively about the school's future and morale is good'

"proved effective and has contributed well to the school's improvement over that time".

A school spokesman said: "We are under no illusions regarding the work we have to do to make Great Wyrley High School an 'outstanding' academy next year but Ofsted have recognised the hard and intelligent work that has already been done to turn the school around."

"The young people who joined us for our team photograph are part of Great Wyrley's newest initiative, The Excellence Academy, which was launched to ensure the most-able Year 7 students are pushed to make ever better

progress through an alternative curriculum focusing on advanced skills and leadership qualities."

"This year Great Wyrley High School is introducing The Big 6. Year 6 pupils that have selected to join our school will be invited to start term early. The last week in June our new Year 7 pupils will start their Great Wyrley timetable on Tuesday through to Thursday for the last four weeks of term to help them get used to our co-operative learning, accelerated learning cycle and personalised feedback systems."

"We are putting the 'Great' back into Great Wyrley High School."

Relentlessly Pursuing Excellence



The Pupil Leadership Team provides a student voice for ideas that could improve the school. Ideas are pitched to Mr Taylor, headteacher and Mrs Cornwall, Children's Champion every Thursday morning, prior to Form.

These are our newly formed Pupil Leadership Team, Year 11 Mitch Chambers, Year 10 Joseph Warner, Year 9 Ellie Procter, Year 8 Cara Edwards and Year 7 Jake Edwards. "We would like to thank our peers for participating in the recent election and are already working on the prospect of an outdoor learning area to be used in the latter part of the academic year".

Great Wyrley High School caring for our community

- We are supporting Children in Need, Friday 17th November. Non-uniform day, £1 donation, proceeds go to Children in Need.
- We are supporting Save the Children Christmas Jumper day appeal, Friday 15th December, £1 donation. To further support our fundraising efforts for Save the Children, we will be selling raffle tickets from Friday 1st December. Raffle tickets will cost 50p each. The raffle prize is a Christmas hamper. All proceeds go to Save the Children.
- We are supporting Water Aid, Year 8 have recently held a mini cake sale, proceeds go to Water Aid.
- We are supporting Macmillan, on the 29th September we held a cake sale and coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Over 800 cakes were donated by parents, pupils, staff and local businesses. We were delighted with our grand total of £735.15 and we will make this an annual event. Thank you to everyone who helped this very worthy cause.
- We are planting 30 trees today, donated by Woodland Trust.
- We are hosting our very own 'Wyrley in the Park' festival on Saturday 14 July 2018.



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Friends group unveil new board



The Friends of Etching Hill have been working closely with the local police, Cannock Chase Council and the trustees to the hill to replace a notice board recently damaged by vandalism. The community work together to maintain and enhance the hill which is part of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and offers spectacular views after an easy climb to the summit

Festive flavours ready to sample at farm

CANALSIDE Farm near Rugeley will be hosting a wide range of tasting events in the run-up to Christmas.

The events will take place every Saturday throughout November and December between 11am and 3pm. Admission and parking are free.

There will be a variety of foods to sample, as well as local beers, ales and wines.

Anyone still undecided about what

to serve for Christmas lunch will be interested in a cockerel tasting on November 25 from local producers Packington, as well as a turkey tasting from Richard Calcott on December 2.

The following two weeks will focus on getting into the festive spirit, with visits from Eccleshall-based family-run vineyard Grove Estate Wines on December 9, followed by a visit from Slaters brewery on December 16.

The café will be open, serving a wide range of home-cooked meals such as sausage and mash.

It will also be serving a traditional Christmas lunch for group bookings of six or more on the day of the events, and then daily from December 1.

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In the hectic run-up to Christmas it is great to take time out from the shopping and planning and enjoy a relaxing day with the family.

Katharine House Hospice may have the perfect event for you.

The Winter Walk is back by popular demand. Katharine House Hospice is encouraging supporters to register for the Charity Winter Walk on Sunday, December 3.

Winter Walkers will enjoy a family friendly trek through the beautiful surroundings of Cannock Chase whilst helping to raise vital funds.

Event fundraiser Lisa Carson said:

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"We are really looking forward to the Winter Walk - last year's event was so much fun for everyone who took part."

"The event really marks the start of the festive season and is a great way to raise vital funds."

The seasonal stroll will see experienced walkers, families and their dogs taking in a fresh and festive four-mile circuit of picturesque Cannock Chase starting at 10am at Marquis Drive on the Chase.

Santa will be there to take his orders for Christmas morning and has been

specialty packing goody bags as a treat for younger walkers.

As it is people's sponsorship that really makes a difference, a prize will be awarded to the child (under 16) who brings the most sponsor money to the event before the walk commences!

All funds raised will help Katharine House to provide vital free care for local people at the hospice and in the community.

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"Fresh water from Lichfield saved the lives of tens of thousands of Midlanders in the 19th Century. Some might say it saved the Industrial Revolution."

David Moore, chairman of the restoration group, and Councillor David Dundas, a member of the committee, showed Michael the work needed to restore the engine.

Man 'did not care if fire brought tragedy'

A MAN who started a fire in his flat and told residents he 'didn't care' if it led to the death of others in the building has been jailed.

Matthew Evans, aged 40, lit a fire in his second-floor flat at Jervis House in Burntwood on April 28. Other tenants at the three-storey site smelt the fire and went to see what was happening.

They found Evans, who is diagnosed as schizophrenic, muttering to himself and looking 'possessed'.

Stafford Crown Court, where Evans had pleaded guilty to one charge of arson, heard that he had told another person at Jervis House that he had planned to start a fire in his flat because he wanted to be moved.

The court heard that one witness to the fire had a conversation with Evans two weeks prior, during which he had stated his plans and said that he didn't care that it could kill someone.

The court heard that Evans had developed psychological problems after his marriage break-up and was diagnosed as schizophrenic.

Mr Andrew Mitchinson,

By Jordan Harris

defending, said: "He had last visited the hospital a week before this incident."

"I would not like to put blame on the medical service but he may not have been here today if that meeting had played out differently or he was given some different medicine."

"I would like to point out that this was not somebody who was intoxicated or under the influence of drugs when starting a fire, this was due to mental health issues."

His Honour Judge John Wait gave Evans a 20-month prison sentence and said: "Mercifully no-one was hurt by this fire but your actions do cross the custody threshold."



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Its latest property supply index for October saw new supply levels fall 4.3 per cent across the UK from September after a 20 per cent rise a month before.

Wolverhampton's fall was 3.7 per cent after falling 16.1 per cent in September.

West Bromwich saw the second highest increase nationally last month of 70.6 per cent while Lichfield saw one of the biggest falls in the country at 31.5 per cent.

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Chief executive Alex Gosling said: "A shortage of new properties coming onto the market has been an issue for as long as anyone can remember, and despite a substantial boost in supply in September levels have lapsed again in October."

Charity plea as homelessness is above 1,400

MORE than 1,400 people are recorded as homeless in the Black Country, Staffordshire and Wyre Forest, new figures released by charity Shelter show.

Walsall and Wolverhampton are among the West Midlands' 'hotspot' areas, which have the highest levels of homelessness. In Walsall, there are 657 people considered homeless with 26 known to be sleeping rough. Walsall Council has announced it is set to move its winter shelter to its former electoral registration department building at 40 Darwall Street near its own offices because it can hold more beds.

The number without accommodation in Wolverhampton is 363, with 18 people sleeping on the streets. The city council has been given a £250,000 grant to provide a free service offering housing advice and other assistance.

In Sandwell, 182 people are believed to be homeless with 11 sleeping rough compared with 165 in Wyre Forest where there is known to be one person on the streets.

Trap

However, the figures are lower in Dudley and Cannock. In Dudley, there are 37 people recorded as homeless and three rough sleepers, while in Cannock four people are known to be homeless with four also sleeping on the streets.

The number of people recorded as homeless in the whole of the West Midlands has reached 20,900.

Vicky Hines, of Shelter, said: "On a daily basis, we speak to people and families desperately trying to escape the devastating trap of homelessness. We will do all we can to make sure no-one is left to fight on their own. "But we cannot achieve this alone. We urgently need the public's support."

Higher equipment sales boost Finning



Finning UK's headquarters in Watling Street, Cannock

CATERPILLAR equipment dealer Finning UK saw sales grow by four per cent to £157.1 million in the three months to September. The Cannock-based business saw earnings before tax rise from £6m to £6.6m for the same period.

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Dozens bid farewell to a 'caring young man'



Christian's funeral cortege arriving at Christ Church in Wellington

It was a chance for the community to say goodbye to 13-year-old Christian Chandler as dozens of people turned out for his funeral.

In the weeks since his death last month, well-wishers from the region have raised thousands of pounds in his name, both to help pay for his funeral and to support his family.

For the majority of his life Christian lived in Staffordshire where he was a former pupil at Lane Green First School, Bilbrook, and at Cheslyn Hay Sport and Community High School.

His family moved to Telford around a

year ago. A crowd stood in the rain outside Christ Church in Wellington as the horse and carriage carrying Christian passed up the drive.

Entering to Truly Madly Deeply by Savage Garden, the service also include poetry and words written by Christian's family.

Rev Alastair Wood, who led the service, said Christian had been a 'warm, caring individual'. "To me it seems like he was keen to be with the people who he loved," he said. "He was a young man of great compassion. He showed a lot of leadership qualities."

Christian was cycling to school along Haybridge Road, Hadley, just after 8am on October 16 when he was in collision with a bus travelling from Wellington.



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Pressure on families, leading to heartache and despair, due to workplace problems.

Women having to fight for equality – some improvement there unless you work for the prime media presenter.

However, amongst all of this, there was compassion and understanding, sarcasm and wit, sadness and laughter by the bucketful, and what a stand-up finale. Congratulations to every-

body involved in the production of this fantastic show. whatever your role, but listening to other members of the audience perhaps Barbara Castle and Rita O'Grady did warrant a special mention. To the people of Cannock if you missed it, they will be back.

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Great Wyrley

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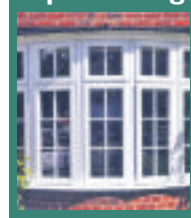
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Headteacher Michael Burrowes said: "Being in our sixth form is a privilege afforded only to those students who maintain high standards of both academic performance and good conduct.

"We make no apologies for maintaining high entry requirements for our courses. But, we also recognise that our students thrive when the culture around them is right.

Transition

"A Cardinal Griffin Catholic College sixth former is academically capable, brings with them the right behavioural attributes and has a positive attitude to their learning," Mr Burrowes added.

"This applies whether they pursue a purely academic menu of courses or one which includes vocational subjects.

"Sixth form is not the same as school, it is the transition between school and university and as such sixth formers are both trusted and expected to study independently and to take responsibility for their learning under a framework of support.

"We pride ourselves in providing strong continuity for our Year 11 students who we admit to the sixth form.



Students have gone on from Cardinal Griffin to gain places at some of the country's top universities

"Our greatest strengths are; the support we offer students through the individual pastoral care; the facilities and spaces we make available for private study outside of lessons and the opportunities for extra-curricular activities alongside academic work.

Head girl Nyasha Exton added: "Cardinal Griffin Catholic Sixth Form College is truly unique in that it provides all students with the opportunity to achieve, not only academic success, but personal successes as well.

"Every subject has teachers who will do their very best for every single pupil and form tutors and those involved in pastoral care are always there should you ever need them," she said.

"This is very important when going through your A-Levels because it can be highly stressful and they help you look after your mental state.

"Sixth form staff are understanding and help you through whatever issues you are

going through whether this be at college or at home.

"The strong sense of community and commitment to a shared set of values provides great support."

Students have gone on from Cardinal Griffin to gain places at some of the country's top universities. Rebecca Smith is currently studying Art History at Peterhouse College, Cambridge, having gained two A*s, an A and a B at A-level.



Cardinal Griffin Catholic College has "a strong sense of community"

Rebecca says that she gained invaluable study skills during her time in the sixth form which have been useful at university.

She added: "The actual lessons were so varied and interesting.

"Attitudes I had to work at Cardinal Griffin have continued at university!"

Rebecca also says that the small close-knit community within the sixth form, as well as the pastoral support offered by staff, helped her achieve her grades.



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Roberta Foley, Year 12

I love the small Sixth Form community and how there's always someone to go to if you're struggling or feeling down.

Grace Hinton, Year 13

I've enjoyed my time at Cardinal Griffin Sixth Form and would recommend it to anyone wanting to go to university. It is a totally new experience that has taught me to have responsibility and be an adult. Being independent and being treated like an adult has helped me to grow as a person

Sean Hancock, Year 13

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Jack (left front row) on National Service

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MEMORY LANE

By Alec Brew

tory. An outpost of East Anglians settled in Fordhouses, Claregate and Bilbrook. His two sons Jack and Brian settled into new schools and were eventually apprenticed at Boulton Paul themselves.

Testing

Jack was to spend his whole working life there, working as a youngster on the famous Defiant fighter, and then after the War, and a break doing his National Service, in the RAF, on the Balliol trainer.

He eventually ran the non-destructive testing department (X-ray). He took up flying for a

while, with company- subsidised flying lessons at Wolverhampton Aero Club, but marriage and family commitments put paid to that.

Even after retirement Jack was not finished with the company.

He became one of the founder members of the Boulton Paul Association preserving and restoring examples of the company's aircraft, including practically single-handedly building a replica of the Defiant.

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Darran Neal of Little Gems with his selection of Paddington merchandise

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Little Gems Nursery and Baby Wear at High Green Court in Cannock signed a contract with exclusive producer of the popular toys, Rainbow Designs.

The business has seen footfall increase significantly thanks to the marmalade-loving bear who has been flying off the shelves.

From cycling Paddington to dancing Paddington, the shop has

a selection of the official bears who became a box office star last week with the release of his new film, Paddington 2.

Darran Neal of Little Gems said: "I signed the contract with Rainbow Designs after meeting Paddington at a trade show in Cologne earlier this year.

"He has been a hit not just with children, but with adults alike who have shown just as much interest and excitement."

Chris Salmon, asset manager for High Green Court, said: "The nation's favourite bear has certainly brought some Christmas spirit."

A West Midlands MEP has launched a petition calling for government intervention to prevent Blithbury Lodge losing its reindeers.

The 'Save Rudolph - Sleigh HS2' campaign is a bid to prevent the farm in Staffordshire from being wiped out by the high-speed rail line.

Owner Stephen Swinnerton has a herd of 200 reindeer on his 30-acre site near Rugeley, but says closure would be his only option if HS2 presses ahead with plans to take space in five of his fields.

Jill Seymour, who is UKIP's national transport spokesman, visited the site to see for herself how part of Mr Swinnerton's land is due to be turned into a car park.

She said: "The farm which he has built up over 10 years will be damaged beyond repair - just to provide a proposed trackway and turning area.

Wreck

"The HS2 team are always telling us they have the interests of people along the proposed route of the line at heart.

"If this is true, then they will prove it by moving their proposed building site a few hundred yards, away from the reindeer farm onto nearby arable land, which will cause much less disruption. If they refuse, then Rudolph, along with his 200 friends and relatives, will have to be culled to make way for this building site, because it will wreck the habitat they require.

"I'm calling on Theresa May and her government to do the sensible and compassionate thing by instructing HS2 Ltd to move the disruption and building site away from the Blithbury Reindeer Lodge."

The Chronicle revealed last week that Mr Swinnerton planned to take two reindeer to Parliament Square in the first week of December as a protest. The petition can be found at <http://chn.ge/2hbTAwW>

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On the ground floor is a hallway, a guest WC, a lounge, a fitted kitchen, a dining room, a conservatory, a study/sitting room, utility and a tandem garage. On the first floor is a landing, four bedrooms with an en-suite to the master and a separate family bathroom. The property has double glazing and gas central heating throughout.

The lounge has a feature fireplace with a coal-effect fire, solid oak flooring and a bay window.

The modern kitchen has a range of matching modern fitted wall and base units and integrated Bosch appliances, wall tiling, solid oak flooring, a door to the utility and French doors to the dining room. The dining area has solid oak flooring and a door to the conservatory.

The carpeted study/sitting room is a versatile space, ideal for use as a bedroom if desired. The conservatory has tiled flooring.

Upstairs are the four carpeted bedrooms, (master en-suite), a family bathroom with a white suite, a separate WC and access to the loft. At the front is a block paved driveway with parking for several vehicles. The private rear garden is enclosed by fenced borders with a gated side access and features a patio area ideal for entertaining, a lawn, various trees, shrubs and flowerbeds.

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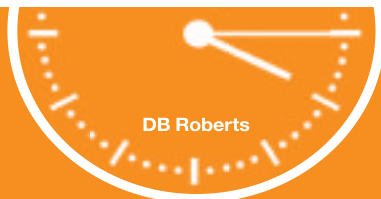
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Wolverhampton Road Cannock



- Attention First Time Buyers & Investors
- Semi Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Cellar
- Rear Garden
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- EPC = TBC



£137,500

Essex Drive Rugeley



- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached bungalow • Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory Style Room • Mature Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway • EPC = F

Stafford Street Heath Hayes



£200,000

- Three Bedroom Detached House • Kitchen Breakfast Room
- Lounge Diner • Conservatory
- Driveway & Garage • EPC = D

Knighton Road Cannock



£215,000

- Four Bed Link Detached House • Two Reception Rooms
- Rear Garden • Garage & Driveway
- No Upward Chain • EPC = D

Bideford Way Cannock



£170,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached • Open Plan Lounge Diner
- Conservatory • Rear Garden
- Driveway to the Front • EPC = D

Boston Close Heath Hayes



£149,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached House • Kitchen Diner
- Modern Bathroom with Bath & Shower • Utility Area
- Paved Rear Garden for Off Street Parking • EPC = D

Mountain Pine Close Hednesford



£230,000

- Good Sized Detached Family Home • Four Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms • Bathroom & En Suite to Master
- Gardens to Front and Rear • EPC = D

Wolverhampton Road Cannock



- Mid Terrace House
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Guest WC
- Rear Garden
- Garage & Parking Space To The Rear
- Move In Condition
- EPC = E



£135,000

Brownhills Road Norton Canes



£319,500

- Four Bed Spacious Detached House • Three Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen & Conservatory • Bathroom & Two En Suites
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- An extended 4 bedroom
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen
- Utility room, playroom
- Refitted family bathroom
- Four bedrooms
- Low maintenance rear garden
- Garage storage space
- Awaiting EPC rating

£190,000

CHESLYN HAY
STATION STREET



- A traditional two bedroom property
- Lounge, dining room
- Refitted kitchen
- Refitted first floor bathroom
- Two good sized bedrooms
- Garden to rear
- Viewing recommended
- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating G

£132,000

HEDNESFORD
CHAFFINCH CLOSE



- A two bedroom semi detached bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge/diner
- Refitted kitchen
- Refitted shower room
- Conservatory, carport
- Garden to rear and side
- Driveway
- Awaiting EPC rating

£169,950

CANNOCK
RUDYARD WAY



- A modern three bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Guest cloakroom, lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Garden to rear
- Off road parking and garage
- EPC rating C

£189,950

CANNOCK
RUMER HILL ROAD



- A spacious 3 bedroom detached
- Split level lounge/diner, Kitchen/diner
- Guest cloakroom, utility
- Sitting room and conservatory
- Family bathroom
- Garden to rear, garage, driveway
- NO CHAIN
- Awaiting EPC rating

£230,000 Offers Over

CANNOCK
BERWICK DRIVE



- A three bedroom semi detached house
- Gas central heating
- Lounge/diner
- Conservatory, kitchen
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Good sized rear garden
- Awaiting EPC rating

£134,950

CANNOCK
ST ADANS ROAD



- A two bedroom semi detached house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Two good sized bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Garden to front
- Corner plot
- Enclosed rear garden
- Awaiting EPC rating

£124,950

HEDNESFORD
PYE GREEN ROAD



- A unique and spacious 4 bedroom
- Lounge, dining room, conservatory
- Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Study, games room
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Family bathroom
- Additional loft room
- Awaiting EPC rating
- NO CHAIN

£299,950

HEATH HAYES
CHARLOCK GROVE



- Three bedroom detached
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Fitted Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- Guest WC
- Garage & Driveway
- Gas central heated
- NO CHAIN
- EPC rating D

£205,000

HEATH HAYES
SALISBURY DRIVE



- A much improved 3 bedroom house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, refitted kitchen/diner
- Conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted modern bathroom
- Front and rear gardens
- Garage
- EPC rating C

£199,950

HEDNESFORD
STEPHENSON WAY



- A modern two bedroom apartment
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Two good sized bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Allocated parking
- Ideal first time buy
- Ideal investment
- Awaiting EPC rating

£89,950

LAPLEY
SUNNY BANK PARK



- A well presented two bedroom park home
- Lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Utility
- Bathroom
- Off road parking
- Garden
- Viewing recommended

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In more detail the entrance hallway has laminate flooring. The kitchen

WILLENHALL
£165,000

has a range of modern wall and base units with work surfaces incorporating a sink, an electric oven with four-ring gas hob and hood extractor above, space for a fridge/freezer, plumbing for a washing machine, tiled splash backs and tiled flooring.

An office room has laminate flooring and a fitted storage cupboard.

The lounge/diner has laminate flooring, a gas fire within a feature surround, stairs off and an under-stairs storage cupboard.

The conservatory has tiled flooring.

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- Superb semi-detached house 4
- Highly desirable location 2
- Extended accommodation
- Potential for further development

Great Wyrley Office - £225,000



CHESLYN HAY, HAWTHORNE ROAD

- Fabulous semi-detached house 4
- Superb, contemporary interiors 1
- Popular location
- Good sized rear garden D

Burntwood Office - £390,000



LICHFIELD, ARMADA CLOSE

- Modern Detached Family Residence 4
- Four Bedrooms, Conservatory 2
- Guest W.C., Utility
- Cul-se-sac Location C

Burntwood Office - £360,000



BURNTWOOD, PAVIERS ROAD

- Impressive detached house 3
- Highly sought after location 1
- Stunning surrounding views
- Driveway parking & garage D

Great Wyrley Office - £289,950



WILLENHALL, STROUD AVENUE

- Impressive detached property 4
- Immaculate, contemporary interiors 2
- Three reception rooms
- Ample off-road parking D

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BURNTWOOD, GARRICK RISE

- Detached Family Residence 4
- Through Lounge/Diner 1
- Refitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Cul-de-sac Location D

Great Wyrley Office - £169,950



GREAT WYRLEY, WALSALL ROAD

- Superb period terrace property 2
- Immaculately refurbished throughout 1
- Parking to the rear
- No onward chain

Burntwood Office - £160,000



BURNTWOOD, CHORLEY ROAD

- Mid Terraced House 2
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen 1
- Guest W.C., Court Yard
- Viewing Highly Recommended D

Great Wyrley Office - £119,950



GREAT WYRLEY, GORSEY LANE

- Well presented mid-terrace 2
- Ideal for FTB / investor 1
- Block paved frontage
- No onward chain D

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- PRIVATE CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION
- DOWNSTAIRS WC & OFFICE
- FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED
- BATHROOM & EN-SUITE

£295,000



Turquoise Grove, Heath Hayes

- FOUR BEDROOMS
- ENSUITE & BATHROOM
- CUL DE SAC LOCATION
- GARAGE

£255,000



Rowan Road, Shoal Hill

- THREE BEDROOM SEMI
- OPEN PLAN KITCHEN / DINER
- STUDY & DOWNSTAIRS WC
- DESIRABLE ROAD

210,000



- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY
- ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN



Bond Way, Hednesford

- CORNER PLOT POSITION
- ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
- THREE BEDROOMS
- GARAGE & DRIVEWAY

£210,000



- LOUNGE & DINING ROOM
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- GLASS ROOF CONSERVATORY
- KITCHEN & UTILITY AREA



Wallace Close, Norton Canes

- THREE BED DETACHED
- NO UPWARD CHAIN
- DUAL ASPECT LOUNGE / DINER
- CONSERVATORY

£170,000



- GARAGE
- FITTED KITCHEN
- REFITTED BATHROOM
- CLOSE TO AMENITIES



Price Street, Cannock

- THREE BEDROOM SEMI
- STUNNING OPEN PLAN KITCHEN
- WALKING DISTANCE TO TOWN
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

£150,000



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Mill Crescent, Heath Hayes

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- DOUBLE GLAZING
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

£132,500



- ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM



Wolverhampton Road, Cannock

SOLD STC
Similar Properties Required



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- EXTENDED BREAKFAST KITCHEN
- LOUNGE & DINING AREA
- SOUTH FACING REAR GARDEN
- THREE BEDROOM END TERRACE
- BLOCK PAVED FRONTAGE
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM

£125,000



Riverside Court, Cannock

- IMMACULATE APARTMENT
- UNDERCOVER PARKING
- TWO BEDROOMS
- ENSUITE & BATHROOM
- STUNNING KITCHEN
- PRIVATE BALCONY

£120,000



Paget Mews, Anglesey Street, Hednesford

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- MODERN MID TERRACE
- ELECTRIC HEATING
- TWO BEDROOMS
- IDEAL FIRST TIME BUY
- DOWNSTAIRS WC

£120,000



Melbourne Road, Heath Hayes

SOLD STC
Similar Properties Required



Woodford End, Chadsmoor

- Modern Style Apartment
- 1 Bedroom
- Buy To Let Investment
- Ground Floor
- Communal Parking
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£59,950



Lupin Drive, Huntington

- Modern Second Floor Flat
- Two Double Bedrooms
- 40% Shared Ownership
- Generous Accommodation
- Immaculately Presented
- Double Glazing

£41,000



Chapel Street, Cannock

- Detached bungalow
- Large lounge
- Kitchen/ diner
- Conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Master bedroom with ensuite

£25pcm Sorry no pets and no DSS



Mill Crescent, Heath Hayes

- Semi Detached home
- Kitchen / Diner
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Ample parking
- Available now

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Watermint Close, Wimblebury

- Modern detached house
- Breakfast kitchen
- Spacious lounge
- Three bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Available Nov 2017

£795pcm Sorry no dss & no pets



Whinchat Drive, Heath Hayes

- Semi Detached house
- Kitchen with some appliances
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Four bedrooms
- Driveway and garage
- Available now

£895pcm Sorry no dss & no pets



Lucas Rise, Great Wyrley

- Modern detached property
- Kitchen / Diner
- Four bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Garage & Driveway
- Available soon

£900pcm Sorry no DSS & no pets



Pheasant Way, Cannock

- Modern town house
- Entrance hall
- Lounge/diner
- Guest cloak room
- Garage and off road parking
- Four bedrooms

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£359,995


Chester Road
RUGELEY



Outstanding executive detached family home / Large corner plot within a peaceful semi rural location / Delightful countryside views to the front / Originally a show home / Open plan family room ideal

£344,950

Sycamore Hill
CANNOCK WOOD



Well presented three bedroom detached bungalow / Highly desirable and sought after village location / Renovated and refurbished to a good standard throughout

£335,000

Wimblebury Road
WIMBLEBURY



Well presented four bedroom detached house / Finished to high specification throughout / Set back from main road / Shared private driveway / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation

£300,000

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RUGELEY



Immaculately presented detached family home / Sought after location / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Modern breakfast kitchen, bathroom & en-suite

£250,000


Burnthill Lane
RUGELEY



Four bedroom detached family home / Set on a good sized corner plot / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Driveway and an integral garage / Superb reception style conservatory

£245,000

Woodfield Drive
NORTON CANES



Two bedroom link detached bungalow / End of a quiet cul-de-sac / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Spacious lounge / Charming private rear garden / Garage and a driveway with parking for two-three vehicles

£220,000

Littleworth Road
RAWNSLEY



Three bedroom link detached family home / Peaceful semi rural location with farmland to the rear / Driveway for up to six vehicles / Large south facing private rear garden

Offers in Excess of £210,000

The Lindens
RUGELEY



Well presented three bedroom town house / Situated down quiet cul-de-sac / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Set over three storeys / Modern open plan dining kitchen / Top floor master

Offers in Excess of £185,000

Alpine Drive
HEDNESFORD



Well presented three-four bedroom semi detached house / Converted garage used as an extra bedroom / Ground floor extension to rear offering further living space

Dugdale Close
WIMBLEBURY



Well presented three bedroom link detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Spacious open plan lounge diner / Modern fitted bathroom / Large garage & driveway for several vehicles

£170,000

Bradbury Lane
HEDNESFORD



Stunning three bedroom semi detached house / Finish to high specification throughout / Undergone extensive renovation & refurbishment / Good sized lounge / UPVC conservatory

Offers in Excess of £170,000

Fieldhouse Road
HEDNESFORD



Well presented three bedroom semi detached house / Spacious lounge & sitting room / Conservatory overlooking charming landscaped rear garden / Superb hot tub room

£160,000

Shaftesbury Drive
HEDNESFORD



Extended three bedroom semi-detached house / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Victorian conservatory / Views of Hednesford Hills to the rear

£150,000

Green Heath Road
HEDNESFORD



Two bedroom traditional terraced house / Spacious lounge and open plan dining kitchen / Two double bedrooms / Private rear garden / Rear driveway with parking for three vehicles / Potential for a loft

£140,000

Brooklyn Road
HEATH HAYES



Three bedroom semi detached house / Set down quiet cul-de-sac

£135,000

Whitby Way
CANNOCK



Well presented two bedroom semi detached house / Set on large corner plot / With front, rear & side gardens / Spacious lounge & kitchen-diner / Modern fitted shower room & driveway

Offers in Excess of £125,000

Knights Court, Bettys Lane
NORTON CANES



Well presented two bedroom semi detached house / Ideal for first time buyers & investors / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Off road parking / Garden to front & side

£125,000

Stafford Street
HEATH HAYES



NO ONWARD CHAIN / Immaculately presented two bedroom terraced house / Tastefully brought up to modern standard whilst maintaining plenty of original charm

Offers in Excess of £120,000

Uxbridge Street
HEDNESFORD



Two bedroom mid terraced property / Dining room & kitchen / Small rear courtyard with shed & fenced borders

£95,000

Longacres
HEDNESFORD



Well presented one bedroom first floor maisonette / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Off road parking for one vehicle / Garage for storage / Ideal for first time buyers & investors

£87,500

Heather Road
HEDNESFORD



Self contained one bedroom first floor maisonette / Superb location on the fringe of Cannock Chase, an area of outstanding natural beauty / Spacious lounge / Double bedroom / Private rear garden

£75,000



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Thorn Close, Rugeley £229,950



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The Lindens, Rugeley



STAR
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● JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three storey, four bedroom family home. Offering flexible accommodation and having Entrance Hallway, Guest W.C., Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge and Conservatory. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom and Further Landing to Master Bedroom with En Suite. Gardens to front and rear and Detached Garage with ample parking.

£225,000



Yew Tree Road, Brereton £135,000



● JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached home, being offered with a TENANT IN SITU. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge/Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear with Off Road parking.

Redbrook Lane, Brereton £145,000



● JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached family home, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to front and Garden to rear.

Walnut Court, Brereton £164,950



● JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached family home, situated in a quiet cul de sac location on a sought after estate. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge/Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear.

St Thomas Way, Hawkyard

£205,000



● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this modern four bedroom, three storey terraced family home, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN and open aspect to front. Having Entrance Hallway, Guest Cloakroom, Breakfast Kitchen and Lounge. First Floor Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom and Second Landing to Master Bedroom and En Suite. Garden

Crestwood Rise, Etching Hill



● JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom family home, situated in quiet cul de sac within Etchinghill. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear.

Fortescue Lane, Rugeley



● JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom family home, situated in quiet cul de sac within Etchinghill. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear.

Crestwood Rise, Etching Hill

£199,995



● JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom link detached family home, located in a quiet cul de sac location in Etchinghill. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Dining Room and Conservatory. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Garden to rear.

Kingsley Wood Road, Cannock Chase



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NEW



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Oakenhurst Av, Hawksyard

£167,950

SOLD



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£209,995



ted three bedroom link detached family home, Entrance Area, Family Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge, Dining Room. Driveway to covered carport and Garage and

Lodge Road, Brereton

£163,000

NEW



● JR Properties are pleased to offer to the market this three bedroom semi detached family home, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway for several vehicles to Detached Garage and Garden to rear.

Yew Tree Road, Brereton

£129,995

NEW



● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom semi detached home, being offered with TENANT IN SITU. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge/ Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear.

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£279,950



ted three bedroom detached bungalow, withing Driveway, Lounge being open plan to Dining Room, separate w.c. Conservatory and Utility Room. Driveway

The Linds, Rugeley

£185,000 OIEO

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● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented three bedroom, three storey home situated in a quiet cul de sac. Having Hallway, Guest w.c., Lounge and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing leading to Second Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Landing to Bedroom with En Suite. Garden and Parking

UTIVE

£850,000



Gables: A four bedroom, three Bathroom detached bungalow standing in approx 0.97 Acres. Having a two car garage for flexible living. MUST BE VIEWED TO APPRECIATE.

Penkridge Bank Rd, S. Mill

£434,995

NO
CHAIN



● JR Distinctive Homes are pleased to offer for sale this well presented and spacious dormer detached bungalow in a semi rural location on the edge of Cannock Chase. Barton Lodge as the property is known has been updated and improved overtime by the current vendors and offers flexible accommodation with three bedrooms, two reception rooms, large conservatory, two bathrooms and breakfast kitchen



Setterfield Way, Brereton

£102,000

NO
CHAIN



● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this one bedroom terraced bungalow, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation having Entrance Hallway, Shower Room, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen and Bedroom. Gardens to front and rear with on road parking

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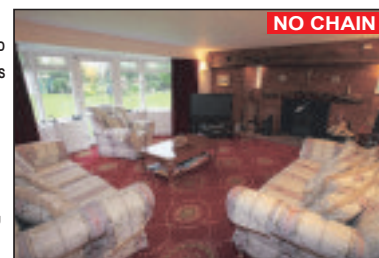
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- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Games/hobby/play room
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Two bathrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Self contained flat (currently let on AST)
- ◆ Double integral garage
- ◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
- ◆ EPC rating D (66)

£615,000 FREEHOLD



NO CHAIN

BELLA VISTA, COLEY LANE, LITTLE HAYWOOD



RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED RESIDENCE OFFERING FLEXIBLE 3/4 BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION

- ◆ Occupying Flexible 3/4 Bedroom Accommodation Occupying Private Gardens In An Elevated Position With Views to Cannock Chase Located On The Edge On This Popular Staffordshire Village
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen/dining/family/garden room
- ◆ Bedroom 4/study
- ◆ Three first floor bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Private gardens
- ◆ Detached garage
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating B (86)

£349,950 FREEHOLD

4 BALMORAL COURT, BELT ROAD, HEDNESFORD



NO CHAIN

GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED FLAT Conveniently Located For Facilities

- ◆ Enclosed porch
- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Allocated parking space
- ◆ Communal grounds
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (74)

£79,950 For 90% Share

29 KINGS ROAD, CALF HEATH



MOST SPACIOUS WELL EQUIPPED FIVE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE OFFERING EXTENSIVE FAMILY ACCOMMODATION ON THREE FLOORS Located In This Popular South Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Central reception hall and cloakroom
- ◆ Three reception rooms
- ◆ Fitted breakfast kitchen and utility
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Dressing room and two en-suites
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (48)

£549,950 FREEHOLD

430 LITTLEWORTH ROAD, HEDNESFORD



NO CHAIN

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW OCCUPYING SECLUDED POSITION IN PRIVATE DRIVE Convenient For Facilities at Hednesford, Heath Hayes and Cannock Centres

- ◆ Side reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Possible garage space
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (72)

£164,950 FREEHOLD

RYECROFT, LICHFIELD ROAD, CANNOCK



EXTENDED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities at Cannock Town Centre

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ cloakroom and utility room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom and separate toilet
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Garden
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (63)

£260,000 FREEHOLD

37 KINGSLAND CLOSE, STONE



NO CHAIN

NEW PRICE

TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area With Views Over Open Farm Land To Rear

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Landing
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ EPC rating D (68)

£144,950 FREEHOLD

51 DRUIDS AVENUE, ALDRIDGE



NEW PRICE

NO CHAIN

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW Located In Much Sought After Residential Area

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Detached garage
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (67)

£289,950 FREEHOLD

12 ULLSWATER PLACE, CANNOCK



NO CHAIN

WELL EQUIPPED DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS 3 BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW Located In popular Cul-De-Sac convenient For Facilities at the Town Centre

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ L shaped lounge/dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Built on garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (63)

£219,950 FREEHOLD

40 ANSTY DRIVE, HEATH HAYES



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED LINKED DETACHED HOUSE located In Much Sought After Residential Area Conveniently Located For Facilities

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Refitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (55)

£196,950 FREEHOLD

7 THE POPLARS, CANNOCK



NO CHAIN

SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW LOCATED IN POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC Convenient For Local Facilities and Access to Cannock and Hednesford Town Centres

- ◆ Side entrance
- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Wet room shower room
- ◆ Garden
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Park double glazed
- ◆ No chain
- ◆ EPC rating F (37)

£105,000 FREEHOLD

THE COACH HOUSE, 13 BRAMWELL DRIVE, HEDNESFORD



NO CHAIN

WELL APPOINTED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOM COACH HOUSE STYLE RESIDENCE Located In Rapidly Maturing Cul-De-Sac Convenient For Wide Range of Facilities at Hednesford Town Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted kitchen area
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Private Garden
- ◆ Fully double glazed & gas fired central heating
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ Inspection highly recommended
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

£149,950 FREEHOLD

232A ECCLESHALL ROAD, STAFFORD



WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA OF STAFFORD Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- ◆ Reception hall and cloakroom
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Open plan fitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage and landscaped garden
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating B (83)

£329,950 FREEHOLD

FLAT 4 TEDDESLEY HOUSE, CLAY STREET, PENKRIDGE



WELL EQUIPPED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT Conveniently Located For Facilities Of The Centre Of The Popular Market Village Of Penkridge

- ◆ Communal hall, stairs and landing
- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Bathroom and en-suite shower room
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Allocated parking space
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (80)

£143,950

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**APARTMENT 13 BEECH TREE COURT,
BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT
Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Security phone intercom
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: C (80)

£525pcm

**1 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT
Located In Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating D (68)

£575pcm

9 WHITFIELD ROAD, HEDNESFORD



SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ All windows double glazed
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: E (46)

£650pcm

22 PRINCESS STREET, CANNOCK



AN IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED BUNGALOW

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Extensive off road parking
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating D (61)

£650pcm

**FLAT 4 PILLATON HOUSE,
CROWNBRIDGE COURT, PENKRIDGE**



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
Located In Popular Development Close To Village Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite shower room
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Allocated parking
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: C (76)

£550pcm

**21 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED SECOND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In An Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Lift facility
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating C (71)

£550pcm

6 THE NOOK, CHESLYN HAY



WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge & dining room
- ◆ Kitchen & utility area
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry No Smokers, DSS or pets
- ◆ EPC rating: E (42)

£750pcm

**4 SCHOOL PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK
ESTATE, PENKRIDGE**



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION
Situating On The Picturesque Rural Estate Of Teddesley Park

- ◆ Fitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Inner hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Oil fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Landscaped communal grounds
- ◆ Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: C (69)

£650pcm

**7 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In An Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ En-suite shower room
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazing
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating C (75)

£650pcm

**40 BROADMEADOW LANE, GREAT
WYRLEY**



TWO BEDROOM END TERRACED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Lounge/dining room
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Gardens & off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: D (55)

£625pcm

18 KINROSS AVENUE, HEDNESFORD



WELL APPOINTED DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Sought After Residential Area And Been Newly Decorated Throughout

- ◆ Lounge & dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Master bedroom with dressing area & en-suite
- ◆ Three further bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: D (58)

£795pcm

11 THE WILLOWS, CANNOCK



RECENTLY REFURBISHED ONE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In A Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Large garden
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: D (55)

£530pcm

26 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED REFURBISHED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Of The Town

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Verandah
- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted Bathroom
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: E (41)

£675pcm

6 ST MARYS CLOSE, SHARESHILL



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In The Sought After Village Of Shares Hill

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Refitted kitchen
- ◆ Study/family room
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or Smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: C (69)

£675pcm

1C CANNOCK ROAD, BURNTWOOD



WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: D (67)

£450pcm

**11 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ En-suite shower room
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: C (74)

£590pcm

7 WATERSMEAD CLOSE, WIMBLEBURY



WELL PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Cul-de-sac

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ UPVC double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Semi detached garage
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating: C (73)

£635pcm

**5 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In An Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating D (68)

£575pcm

**324 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL APOPOINTED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Conveniently Located For Local Facilities

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: tbc

£650pcm

**THE BARN, OFF CLAY STREET,
PENKRIDGE**



CHARACTERFUL THREE BEDROOMED BARN CONVERSION
Located In A Most Convenient Position Within This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Market Village

- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom three/study
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Two allocated parking spaces
- ◆ Gas fired central heating & fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: C (71)

£850pcm

20 HAYMAKER WAY, WIMBLEBURY



WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Guests cloakroom
- ◆ Lounge/dining room
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- ◆ EPC rating: C (76)

£695pcm

199A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR



REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- ◆ Entrance lobby
- ◆ Hall
- ◆ Lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: E (40)

£440pcm

34 CHASELEY AVENUE, CANNOCK



SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Cul-de-sac In Sought After Shoal Hill Area

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Kitchen & utility room
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, smokers or pets allowed
- ◆ EPC rating: C (69)

£625pcm

**22 CROWN HOUSE, BEECROFT ROAD,
CANNOCK**



WELL EQUIPPED SECOND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Located In An Established Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- ◆ Secure communal entrance
- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Lift facility
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Electric heater
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry No DSS, pets or smokers allowed
- ◆ EPC rating C (70)

£550pcm

12 CHALFONT AVENUE, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED END MEWS HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area Of The Town

- ◆ Refitted extended breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- ◆ EPC rating D (64)

£650pcm

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- UPVC Double Glazed
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£165,000



Sheepfair Rugeley
A Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow

- Town Centre Location
- Gas Central Heating
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- Set In Gated Secure Complex
- Built Approximately 2 Years Ago

£225,000



Cocketts Nook Rugeley
A Three Bedroom Semi-detached House

- Viewing essential to appreciate
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Open plan dining kitchen
- Bathroom
- Front and rear gardens

£135,000



Hednesford Road, Rugeley
A Three Bedroom Traditional Detached House

- Three Reception Rooms
- Downstairs Shower Room
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Detached Workshop and sheds
- Driveway & Large Rear Garden

£215,000

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Burnthill Lane Rugeley
A Four Bedroom Executive Detached House

- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Conservatory
- Dining Room
- Integral Garage

£245,000



Coley Grove, Little Haywood
Two Bedroom Link-Detached Bungalow

- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Driveway and Garage

£185,000



Ti-Arwil, Keystone Lane, Rugeley
Traditional 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House

- Part Double Glazed
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens & Driveway Parking
- Single Car Garage & Outside W.C.

£163,000



Mersey Cottage, Armitage Road, Rugeley
One Bedroom Cottage

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- Lounge
- Kitchen / Bathroom
- Master Bedroom
- Rear Garden leading to Canal Mooring

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Eaton Drive Rugeley
A Two Bedroom Town House

- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazed
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking Space
- AGENCY FEES APPLY

£525 PCM



Joseph Dix Drive Rugeley
A Three Bedroom Link Detached House

- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazed
- Dining Room
- Front And Rear Gardens
- Garage
- AGENCY FEES APPLY

£625 PCM



Trent View Close, Rugeley
A Two Bedroom Semi-detached House

- Double Glazed & Gas Central Heating
- Lounge
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Driveway and parking to front
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£169,950

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bar, laminate flooring and plumbing for an automatic washing machine

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LOT 1
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FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION

- ◆ Good sized parcel of freehold amenity woodland
- ◆ Extending to 1.33 acres or thereabouts
- ◆ Having a good frontage to Cannock Road of approximately 210ft

GUIDE PRICE £15,000+

LOT 2
LAND REAR OF 1-5 VICTORIA STREET, BROOMHILL, CANNOCK, WS11 5QQ
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION

- ◆ Potential building land (subject to PP being obtained)
- ◆ Vehicular access from Victoria Street
- ◆ Site area 945 sq yards (0.195 acre or 0.079Ha) approx

GUIDE PRICE £70,000 - £90,000

72 CANNOCK ROAD, CHASE TERRACE, BURNWOOD, WS7 1JP
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION

LOT 3



- ◆ Semi detached house
- ◆ In need of refurbishment
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Partial double glazing
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

GUIDE PRICE £75,000+



43 HIGH STREET, CHASETOWN, BURNWOOD, WS7 3XE
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION

- ◆ End terraced shop with flat above
- ◆ In need of some repair and improvement
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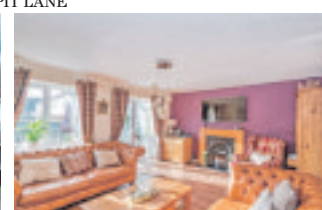
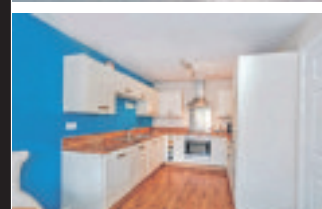
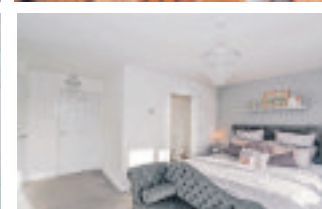



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An ideal first-time or investment buy, 28 Netley Road, Bloxwich, is to be auctioned on Thursday, November 30 at Molineux, with an auction guide price of £80,000.

Registration will be at 6pm with the auction starting at 7pm.

Having gas central heating and double glazing, this end townhouse-style property lies on the popular Mossley development.

Thought ideal for first-time or buy-to-let investors alike, the

BLOXWICH

£80,000

property needs to be viewed in order for it to be fully appreciated.

Outside, to the rear of the property there is an enclosed garden with lawn and a paved patio and a side entrance leading to the front.

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A spokesman for the selling agents said: "A delightful character property which has retained many original features whilst also offering a modern touch."

In brief the property consists of an entrance porch leading into the entrance hallway, two sitting/living rooms, a

BLOXWICH

£349,950

breakfast kitchen with an opening leading into the conservatory, a large utility area, guest WC and a nursery/garden room. To the first floor there are three bedrooms with bedroom two having open fire place and a refitted family four-piece bathroom. To the second floor are three further bedrooms.

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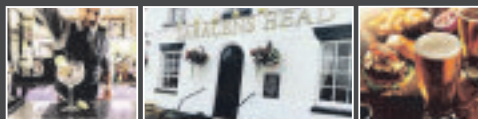
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Bananarama tour?

We heard a rumour

It's been quite a year for Bananarama. Sara Dallin, Keren Woodward and Siobhan Fahey have been sweeping all before them – after Siobhan rejoined the band for a massive tour.

The singer had left Bananarama in 1988 to form Shakespeares Sister, with whom she played until 1996. She then appeared in films and recorded music alone, as well as appearing with Dexys Midnight Runners, before agreeing to rejoin Bananarama in February this year for a major tour.

And the band's shows have been well received by fans who have relived their youth to such hits as It Ain't What You Do... Really Saying Something, Shy Boy, Cruel Summer, Robert De Niro's Waiting... and Love in the First Degree as well as the US number one Venus and other hits like Cruel Summer and I Heard A Rumour.

Bananarama had been formed by Sara, Siobhan and Keren in 1981. When Siobhan quit, Jacquie O'Sullivan joined and they enjoyed more hits with songs like I Want You Back and Help. Jacquie later left and Sara and Keren enjoyed success as a duo with Movin' On and More, More, More.

The band's achievements speak for themselves. They have enjoyed two Band Aid appearances, an entry in the Guinness Book of World Records as the most successful female band worldwide with the most charting singles, all of which were international hits, four hitting the US Billboard Top 10 including a number one with Venus. To date they have had 32 Top 40 UK hits, released 10 albums and sold 30 million records.

TEENAGERS

The band formed when teenagers and childhood friends Sara and Keren met Siobhan. Sara and Siobhan were studying journalism at the London University of Arts (London College of Fashion) and Keren was working at the BBC.

About to be thrown out of the YWCA for 'keeping late hours' Sara and Keren bumped into ex-Sex Pistol Paul Cook in the club Taboo. He offered them a place to stay above the Sex Pistols' old rehearsal room. He ended up producing their first single Aie A Mwana. One early radio play from legendary DJ John Peel was all it took to catch the attention of ex-Specials singer Terry Hall, who tracked the girls down and asked them to perform on The Fun Boy Three single It Ain't What You Do.

They went on to support everyone from Iggy Pop to Paul Weller (Paul went on to pen a track for the band's first album) appearing on numerous TV shows while still being so skint they were using the baths at the local swimming pool for £1 a throw.

For the next 10 years the girls were everywhere and so were their hits. They became internationally hot property when hits Cruel Summer hit the US Billboard Top 10 with their video filmed in New York.

Identifying the right producers/collaborators at the right point in their career was always their strong point from Jolley and Swain who produced their debut album Deep Sea Skiving and follow up Bananarama to Stock/Aitken/Waterman who produced the platinum-selling WOW!, to Youth with Pop Life.

In 2005 they were picking out Swedish hitmakers Murlyn to produce the album Drama (singles Move In My Direction and Look On The Floor Top 20 UK, US Billboard dance

Back in the day – Keren Woodward, Sara Dallin and Siobhan Fahey



number two) and in 2009 they found a perfect foil in Ian Masterson (Pet Shop Boys, Girls Aloud, Kylie) who produced the album VIVA.

Bananarama like the Go Go's and the Bangles were not a manufactured band but three friends who came from the London club scene with a punk attitude and were always in control of their own destiny.

In 2012 Bananarama have appeared in the hit ITV comedy Benidorm, they embarked to the US for the Pinktober

tour at Hard Rock Cafes and released a brand new four tracks digital EP called Now Or Never. In February 2016, the girls embarked upon a successful Australian Tour, followed by a sold out Japan tour in October.

And now, the original Bananarama

For the next 10 years the girls were everywhere and so were their hits

line up are back together for a string of live shows in 2017. It will be fans' only chance to see Sara, Keren and Siobhan live across the UK.

Keren was in a relationship with former Wham! star Andrew Ridgeley for 25 years, but they parted ways last year. Speaking about the break-up, she said things didn't always work out but they'd remained close friends and Andrew would be attending quite a few dates on the tour.

The biggest girl group of the 1980s were sworn enemies for many years but they reconciled for a barbecue at Siobhan's home in Bethnal Green. They rekindled their love and friendship and a few months later, Keren picked up the phone and told Siobhan she should go on tour with them. They had never actually done a tour, the three of them, together. Siobhan agreed and the rest is history.

See them perform at Arena Birmingham on Thursday, November 23.

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Andy and Paul of OMD



Nostalgia gigs aren't for us – despite the money

If ever there was a band that over-achieved, it was synth-pop pioneers OMD.

Duo from The Wirral, singer Andy McCluskey and keyboardist Paul Humphreys, sold around 40 million records including hit singles Enola Gay, Souvenir, Joan of Arc, Maid of Orleans and Locomotion.

Architecture and Morality, their 1981 hit album, gave them their first platinum disc while four others went gold. This autumn, McCluskey et al are up to their old tricks with the release of their 13th studio album, The Punishment of Luxury – which entered the chart at number four – and a tour including Birmingham Symphony Hall on Tuesday. And yet, for all their success, critics have always been a little sniffy about Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark.

Andy says: "The reality is that certain people still have attitudes and issues towards a band that plays synths. That's always been the way. So we've always just gone our own way and done better than people would have expected anyway. We are coming up to the 40th anniversary of a rolling musical accident.

"We suffered in the mid 1980s from not writing the quality consistently. I carried on without Paul in the 1990s, then we got back together and next year the band will have been together for as long as we were the first time round." Andy was determined that OMD would not join the nostalgia circuit, adding: "We were offered quite good money but we felt uncomfortable with doing just the nostalgia gigs. The whole ethos for us was to do something new."

Rock legend home gig is hottest ticket



The Black Country's resident rock god, Robert Plant, is back in action on home turf following the release of his new album Carry Fire.

On Monday the former Led Zeppelin frontman brings his Sensational Space Shifters to Wolverhampton Civic Hall for what is likely to be one of the region's best gigs of 2017. Of course, it's long been a sell out. Those lucky enough to have a ticket can anticipate a few Led Zep classics.

At Birmingham Arena tomorrow (Friday) Ian Gillan, Roger Glover, Ian Paice, Steve Morse and Don

Airey assemble as Deep Purple with support from Europe. The same venue hosts powerhouse duo Royal Blood on Saturday and Depeche Mode's Global Spirit tour on Sunday. Then on Tuesday the city centre venue hosts James Blunt, enjoying a new lease of life after his Ed Sheeran collaborations.

Those that can't make the Plant gig could get some excellent consolation at a homecoming gig for Black Country blues rock sensation Joanne Shaw Taylor at the Symphony Hall on Monday.

Other major Wolverhampton Civic Hall shows see Placebo play their rescheduled October date on

Tuesday, Goldie on Thursday (see below) and harmonious folk rock from Fleet Foxes next Friday.

Bilston's Robin 2 venue has a varied line-up with Liverpool disco favourites The Real Thing tomorrow (Fri), electro-rave-reggae outfit Dreadzone on Saturday, heavy metal heroes Tygers of Pan Tang on Tuesday and US blues singer Samantha Fish on Wednesday.

It's funk night at Birmingham Town Hall tomorrow (Fri) with Icognito, Circus VIII and Trope, and the venue hosts folk rock veterans The Oyster Band on Tuesday.

Goldie returns with 'best of the best'

Home-grown drum 'n' bass pioneer Goldie will return to Wolverhampton next week for a concert as part of his nationwide tour. The show at the Civic Hall on Thursday, November 23, Of The Journey Man tour, named after his new album, Goldie says: "This will be one of a kind: a culmination of everything past, present and future in my music, like it has never been heard before, live. I've got the absolute best of the best on stage with me and we're going to create something new right in front of your eyes."



A Christmas Carol and lots of laughs

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas, particularly at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre where a popular amateur company is bringing A Christmas Carol – The Musical to the stage from Tuesday to Saturday. Bilston Operatic Company's production sees Charles Dickens' classic tale of Scrooge given a musical makeover. Tickets are priced from £12. For more information visit www.grandtheatre.co.uk website or call 01902 429212.

Comedy highlights include Jimmy Carr at Symphony Hall, Birmingham, on Saturday and Daniel Sloss, one of a handful of British comics to find success in America, at Wolverhampton Slade Rooms on Sunday. Sean Lock brings his Keep It Light show to Wolverhampton Civic Hall on Wednesday (Nov 22) and Paul Chowdhry is at the Wulfrun Hall next Friday.

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Do Ant and Dec finally have a rival for the crown of 'Best Saturday Night TV Host'? When this show first aired as a one-off Christmas special in 2015 and then a full series last year, the critics and public were skeptical, especially considering some of BBC and ITV's lacklustre recent efforts at weekend entertainment shows. However, McIntyre has not only proven that variety is alive and well, but also that he is a pretty fine host and entertainer. Tonight he returns to London's Theatre Royal on Drury Lane for the third run of his Big Show. After his own new stand-up routine, he introduces comedy with Joe Lycett, and music by chart-topping Scottish singer-songwriter Emeli Sande.

10.00 Breakfast. 10.00 **Saturday Kitchen.** 11.30 **Nigella:** At My Table (R). **12.00 Football Focus.** 1.00 **BBC News;** Weather. 1.15 **Rugby League World Cup.** 2.00 **Live International Rugby Union.** **2.30** **Wales v Georgia (Kick-off 2.30pm).** **4.30 Final Score.** **5.10** **Len Goodman's** **Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway.** **5.40** **BBC News.** **5.50** **Regional Programme.**

6.00 Pointless Celebrities. Hannah Waddingham, Gemma Whelan, Jeff Rawle, Chris Rankin, David Dixon, Sandra Dickinson, Norman Lovett and Hattie Hayridge take part in a sci-fi and fantasy edition of the quiz.

6.45 Strictly Come Dancing. The star-studded dance contest reaches its most dazzling annual milestone, as the remaining 12 couples and celebrity duos depart from London and head north to the Lancashire coast, where they put their skills to the test against the iconic backdrop of Blackpool Tower Ballroom. Tess Daly and Claudia Winklemore open proceedings by introducing a grand-scale group performance, in which all the couples are joined on the dancefloor by judges Shirley Ballas, Dorey Bussell, Bruno Tonioli and Craig Revel Horwood. Already a glamorous affair, Strictly turns the dial well and truly up to 11 for its yearly trip to the northern resort town, where even more glitzy sets and routines that push the performers to their limits. With the grand final now only a month away, the stars once again face the judges' scrutiny ahead of yet another elimination.

8.10 Michael McIntyre's Big Show. New series. The comedian's family entertainment show returns, as Emel Sande and Joe Lycett perform. The former Labour MP Ed Balls plays Celebrity Send.

9.10 Casualty. The day of Charlotte's christening arrives, and Robyn is dumbfounded when she bumps into Glen – her terminally ill ex-fiancee – who Dylan has been secretly preparing for a reunion.

10.00 BBC News; Weather; National Lottery Update.

10.20 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches.

11.50 The NFL Show.

12.10 Film: Man on the Moon. (1999)

12.20 Film: The Week Ahead. 2.15

7.15 **Holday of My Lifetime** with Len Goodman. (R) **7.00** **Nature's Wildest Events**. (R) **7.30** **Naomi's Nightmares of Nature**. **8.00** **Deadly 60**. (R) **8.30** **Show Me What You're Made Of**. **9.00** **Saturday Mash-Up**. **11.00** **Natural World: Tiger Dynasty**. (R) **12.00** **Rich Stein's Long Weekend**. (R) **12.30** **World's Wildest Animals**. (R) **1.00** **2.00** **Tennis: ATP World Tour Finals**. The opening semi-final of the singles competition. **4.30** **Mastermind**. (R) **5.00** **Live International Rugby Union**. Scotland vs New Zealand (Kick-off 5.15pm).

7.30 **International Rugby Union**. England v Australia. Lee McKenzie presents action from the autumn international at Twickenham, where the hosts were looking to continue their fine run against the Wallabies. With commentary by Sara Orchard and Brian Moore.

8.30 **Dad's Army**. Jones buys black-market pigeons from wheeler-dealer Walker – but is horrified to discover the birds were taken from Trafalgar Square. Comedy, starring Clive Dunn and James Beck. (R)

9.00 **My Country**. A TV adaptation of the National Theatre production of the same name, written by Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy and director Rufus Norris. Compiled in the days following the Brexit vote, using testimonies from people aged nine to 97, the play interweaves real interviews with speeches from party leaders, as Britannia – a personification of the nation itself – calls a meeting to listen to the opinions of the people. Amid passionate debate, barbed rebuttals and divided perspectives, she seeks an answer to the question of whether there can ever be a true United Kingdom.

9.55 **QI XL**. Extended edition of Sandi Toksvig's *QI* as host, in which Alan Davies, Cariad Lloyd, Roshni Ganaganathan and Phill Jupitus answer questions associated with the letter n.

10.40 **David Gilmore: Live at Pompeii**. Highlights of the guitarist's concerts at the ancient Pompeii amphitheatre in Rome in July 2016, featuring songs from his solo career as well as several Pink Floyd favourites.

11.40 **Film: Spike Island**. (2012) Drama, starring Elliott Tittensor.

12.00 **Film: Badlands**. (1973) **2.50** This is BBC Two. **4.30** **Live Rugby League** World

6.00 **CITV: Soapy, 6.10** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.20** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.45** Super 4. (R) **7.00** Mission Employable. (R) **7.05** Oddbods. (R) **7.10** Ultimate Spider-Man: Web Warriors. **7.30** Scrambled!: Scrambled! **7.35** Scrambled!: The Tom and Jerry Show. (R) **7.40** Scrambled!: Fangbone. (R) **8.10** Scrambled!: The Powerpuff Girls. (R) **8.30** Scrambled!: Thunderbirds Are Go. **9.00** Scrambled!: Wishcraft. (R) **9.25** Saturday Morning with James Martin. **11.20** Gino's Italian Coastal Escape. (R) **11.50** ITV News: Weather. **11.55** The X Factor Live. (R) **1.30** ITV Racing: Live from Cheltenham. **4.00** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **4.10** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **4.30** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **5.30** Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs. (R)

6.00 **Regional Programme: Weather.**

6.05 **ITV News: Weather.**

6.15 **Catchphrase.** Stephen Mulhern hosts the game show in which three contestants guess the familiar phrases hidden in animated clips, before one of them plays to win £50,000. (R)

6.50 **New You've Been Framed!** Harry Hill narrates more comedy mishaps submitted by viewers, including a fireball exploding over a family, and a toddler managing to get champagne corked into his mother's eye.

7.15 **Ninja Warrior UK.** Ben Shephard, Rochelle Humes and Chris Kamara host the fourth heat, as competitors from across the UK test their strength, speed and courage in the obstacle-course challenge. (R)

8.10 **The X Factor Live.** The talent show enters its fourth weekend of live eliminations, while two acts battle it out for another 'money-can't-buy' prize, the least popular could face elimination.

9.40 **The Jonathan Ross Show.** The host is joined by comedy star Peter Kay, The Beat and Beaty and the Beast actor Luke Evans, and actress and singer Sheridan Smith. Last in the series.

10.40 **ITV News: Weather.**

10.55 **Film: First Blood.** (1982) A Vietnam veteran escapes unjust imprisonment and flees into the wilderness, where he fights the law on his own terms. Action thriller, with Sylvester Stallone. (R)

12.40 **Jackpot247.** **3.00** The Hungry

10.10 **Triathlon: Challenge Aruba.** **6.40** Everybody Loves Raymond. **(R)** **7.05** Everybody Loves Raymond. **(R)** **7.30** Frasier. **(R)** **8.00** Frasier. **(R)** **8.25** The Big Bang Theory. **8.55** The Big Bang Theory. **9.25** The Simpsons. **(R)** **9.55** The Simpsons. **(R)** **10.25** The Simpsons. **10.55** The Simpsons. **(R)** **11.25** The Simpsons. **11.50** The Simpsons. **12.05** The Simpsons. **Me (R)** **12.25** Come Dine with Me. **(R)** **12.55** Come Dine with Me. **(R)** **1.25** Come Dine with Me. **(R)** **2.00** Come Dine with Me. **(R)** **2.30** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. **(R)** **3.30** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. **(R)** **4.30** Best Laid Plans. **5.35** Grand Designs. **(R)**

6.30 **Channel 4 News.**

7.00 **Volatile Earth: Killer Hurricanes.** The documentary series exploring the impact of past natural disasters concludes with its most recent example, the Great Hurricane of 1780. Claiming the lives of almost 28,000 people across the Caribbean, the Great Hurricane is thought to have been the most deadly in recorded history, and scientists pick through the debris left behind to piece together the storm's speed and ferocity with which the storm would have hit the woefully unprepared islands. Last in the series. Previously seen on More4.

8.00 **First Humans: The Cave Discovery.** Documentary following the discovery of fossilised remains in a South African cave that were revealed to have come from a previously unknown species of human ancestor. **(R)**

9.00 **Film: Lucy.** (2014) A courier is kidnapped and forced to become a drug mule. When she is exposed to the experimental chemicals she is smuggling, it boosts her intelligence and reflexes to superhuman levels. She uses her newfound abilities to get revenge on her captors, but as the process continues, she evolves into something more than human. Sci-fi thriller, starring Scarlett Johansson and Morgan Freeman.

10.45 **Film: R.I.P.D.** (2013) A cop killed in the line of duty is recruited by a ghostly police force assigned to battle evil spirits. Fantasy adventure, starring Ryan Reynolds and Jeff Bridges.

12.35 **The Simpsons.** **(R)** **1.25** **The Last Leg.** **(R)** **2.20** **Hollyoaks.** **4.30** **Location.**

9.00 Milkshake! **10.00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.** (R) **10.35 The Gadget Show.** (R) **11.30 Access.** **11.35 Film:** Christmas Tree. **Truotee.** **11.55 1.20 Film:** Deck the Halls. (2006) Christmas comedy, starring Danny DeVito and Matthew Broderick. **3.05 Film:** A Belle for Christmas. (2014) Family adventure, starring Cain Cain. **4.05 5 News Update.** **4.10 Film:** A Belle for Christmas. (2014) Concluded. **5.00 Film:** Christmas in Homestead. (2016) Premiere. Romantic drama, starring Taylor Cole and Michael Radey.

6.00 5 News Update.

6.05 Film: Christmas in Homestead. (2016) Concluded.

7.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. In West London, agents Max and Cona chase up more than £2,000 in unpaid parking fines, while officers in Lancashire try to collect £4.5m owed for unpaid nursery fees. (R)

7.55 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. Gareth and Mitch are in north Devon with a writ to recover more than £8,000 owed by a dissatisfied customer to a supplier of windows and doors. In Nottingham, Stewart and Vic are on an eviction that will test their patience to the limits, with a landlord who wants his property back after months of rent arrears and alleged anti-social behaviour. (R)

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Football on 5: The Championship. Colin Murray introduces highlights from the weekend's games in the Championship, including Reading v Wolverhampton Wanderers and Queens Park Rangers v Aston Villa.

9.55 Football on 5: Goal Rush. Colin Murray introduces all the goals from Leagues One and Two, including Rotherham United v Shrewsbury Town and Wigan Athletic v Bradford City.

10.25 NCIS: New Orleans. The team investigates when a private plane crashes in a bayou, Gregorio tries to decide whether to stay in New Orleans or return to Washington.

11.20 NCIS: New Orleans. The team investigates when a Navy Seal candidate is killed weeks before his graduation, and LaSalle tries to avoid an old flame.

12.15 SuperCasino. **3.10 Film:** Haunting of Briar House. (2015) **4.40 Access.** **4.55**

7BC Four
7.00 Natural World **8.00** The Mekong River with Sue Perkins **9.00** Know Who You Are **12.15** The Vietnam War **1.15** Top of the Pops: 1984 **1.50** Natural World **2.50** The Mekong River with Sue Perkins **3.50** Close

ITV2
12.15 Take Me Out **1.30** You've Been Framed! **2.00** Gold **2.00** Film: Beethoven's 2nd (1993) **3.00** FYI **3.30** Film: Beethoven's 2nd (1993) **3.50** Film: Step Up **4.45** FYI **5.00** Film: Step Up **6.00** Film: Kick the Giant **6.15** Slayer (2013) **7.05** FYI **7.10** Daily: The Giant Slayer (2013) **8.10** Film: Quantum of Solace (2008) **9.10** FYI **9.15** Film: Quantum of Solace (2008) **10.15** 22 Celebrity Juice **11.10** Family Guy **1.00** American Dad! **1.55** Release the Hounds **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3
11.00 Film: The Conspirators (1978) **1.00** Foyle's War **3.30** Midsummer Murders (2010) **4.00** The Syndicate **4.15** Foyle's War **2.00** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4
11.35 The Big Fish Off **12.35** Shed and Buried **2.35** Film: The Alamo (1960) **3.50** FYI **3.55** Film: The Alamo (1960) **5.55** Hornblower **7.55** River Monsters **9.00** An Audience with Billy Connolly **10.05** Film: American Gangster (2007) **11.05** FYI **11.10** Film: American Gangster (2007) **1.10** The Sweeney **2.10** The Classic Car Show **3.00** Teleshopping

E4
11.00 How I Met Your Mother **12.00** Film: The Dog Who Saved Christmas (2009) **1.50** Toy Story Toons: Small Fry **2.00** The Goldbergs **4.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Film: The Mechanic (2011) **10.50** Gogglebox **12.55** Naked Attraction **2.00** Rude Tube **3.25** Gogglebox **4.20** Rules of Engagement

Film4
1.00 Song of the Sea (2014) **1.00** Picture Perfect (1997) **3.35** Just Wright (2010) **5.05** Rio (2011) **6.55** Dante's Peak (1997) **9.00** Darkman (1990) **A** scientist is left disfigured by a criminal gang's reckless revenge on those responsible. Thriller, with Liam Neeson and Frances McDormand. **11.00** Aliens (1986) Lone survivor Ripley joins a military expedition that encounters hordes of the creatures that wiped out her crew. Sci-fi thriller sequel, with Sigourney Weaver and Michael Biehn. **2.05** Rare Exports: A Christmas Tale

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BMW reveals the updated i3 and new i3s



BMW has unveiled its updated version of the i3, a compact electric car that was first introduced in 2013. The new i3 features a more aerodynamic design, with a drag coefficient of 0.22, and a range of up to 155 miles per charge. The car is also available in a new color, "Granat", a deep red shade. The i3 is powered by a lithium-ion battery pack and a 184-hp electric motor. It is available in two trim levels: the i3 and the i3s. The i3s is a high-performance version of the car, featuring a 201-hp electric motor and a 0-60 mph time of 5.6 seconds. The i3 is priced at \$42,400, and the i3s is priced at \$47,400. Both cars are available with optional equipment, including a sunroof, navigation system, and premium sound system. The i3 is a plug-in hybrid vehicle, meaning it can be driven on electricity or gasoline. It has a 15.9-gallon gasoline tank and a 100-mile range on gasoline. The i3 is also a self-driving car, with a suite of sensors and software that allow it to drive itself in certain situations. The i3 is a compact car, with a length of 144 inches and a width of 70 inches. It has a seating capacity of four people. The i3 is a plug-in hybrid vehicle, meaning it can be driven on electricity or gasoline. It has a 15.9-gallon gasoline tank and a 100-mile range on gasoline. The i3 is also a self-driving car, with a suite of sensors and software that allow it to drive itself in certain situations. The i3 is a compact car, with a length of 144 inches and a width of 70 inches. It has a seating capacity of four people.

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I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! (ITV, 9pm)
New series. Ant and Dec present the celebrity survival challenge, as another batch of famous faces are flown out to the Australian jungle, where they can look forward to completing the usual round of tough daily tasks and dreaded Bushtucker Trials until one of them is chosen as this year's king or queen. At the time of going to press, no contestants have been confirmed, but whoever is brave enough to take up the challenge will face the toughest journey to the camp that the series has ever featured - plus several brand new surprises.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.25** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** BBC Newsroom Live. **11.00** Regional Programme. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News: Weather. **1.15** Regional Programme. **1.45** Money for Nothing. (R) **2.30** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** Songs of Praise. **3.35** Children in Need: The Best Bits. **4.50** Blue Planet II. (R) **5.50** BBC News.
6.05 **Regional Programme.**
6.15 **Countryfile.** The rural affairs show visits Hertfordshire, where Charlotte Smith makes the acquaintance of a man who has made it his mission to save the barbel in the Old River Lea. Sean Fletcher build a home fit for a kingfisher, and John Craven revisits his scouting days by cooking on a woodland fire. Plus, Adam Henson tours an estate where 'rewilding' and farming sit side-by-side, and Tom Heap examines the science behind culling, as the contentious badger cull enters its fifth year.
7.15 **Strictly Come Dancing: The Results.** Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman present the results of last night's show before another couple leaves the contest. Featuring music from Alfie Boe, Michael Ball and Tears for Fears.
8.00 **Blue Planet II.** Wildlife that live thousands of kilometres from land, featuring footage of baby turtles using debris as life rafts and sperm whales hunting for squid deep beneath the surface.
9.00 **Howards End.** A death is followed by an unusual final request that throws the deceased's family into confusion. The Schlegels face eviction from their home, which is due to be demolished.
10.00 **BBC News.**
10.20 **Regional Programme.**
10.30 **Match of the Day 2.** Mark Chapman presents highlights of the day's only Premier League match, featuring Watford v West Ham United at Vicarage Road.
11.15 **Ronny Chieng: International Student.** Professor Dale is impressed at the badminton skills of Ronny and his friends, and forces them to play for the college's Australian rules football team in a crucial game.
11.45 **Michael McIntyre's Big Show.** (R) **12.45** Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.50** BBC News.

BBC2

7.30 Great British Garden Revival. (R) **8.35** Countryfile. (R) **9.30** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.00** Food & Drink. (R) **11.30** My Life on a Plate. (R) **12.15** MOTD2 Extra. **1.00** International Rugby Union. (R) **2.00** Rugby League World Cup. **3.30** Wild Brazil. (R) **4.30** Coast. (R) **5.00** Flog It! (R)
6.00 **Live Tennis: ATP World Tour Finals.** Sue Barker presents coverage from day eight at the O2 in London, featuring the final of the singles competition. Last year's showpiece match saw Andy Murray win this title for the first time in his career following a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Novak Djokovic, which also meant he would end the year as the number one-ranked player in the world. Subsequent programmes are subject to change.
9.00 **Britain's Cycling Superheroes: What Price Success?** The controversy surrounding Britain's international cyclists, examining how Dave Brailsford and Shane Sutton have led the nation to a run of recent successes in both the Olympics and the Tour de France, even as their methods have suffered criticism.
10.00 **Snowfall.** Franklin must make a dangerous choice. Teddy tries to find out the truth about Logan's death, and Lucia makes Oso a full partner - without telling Pedro. Guest starring RZA.
10.40 **Mock the Week.** Dara O Briain and Hugh Dennis front a special edition of the topical comedy show featuring best bits and unseen material from the series. (R)
11.10 **Film: The Lighthouse.** (2016) Premiere. Two men are assigned to keep a lighthouse on an island in the Irish sea in 1801. A freak storm cuts the island off from the mainland for months on end, and the isolation drives both men to the brink of madness, with devastating consequences. Fact-based thriller, starring Mark Lewis Jones and Michael Jibson.
12.50 Sign Zone: Question Time. Topical debate from Newcastle, with panellists Shadow Foreign Secretary Emily Thornberry, former Liberal Democrat leader Tim Farron, novelist Val McDermid and journalist Rod Liddle. (R) **1.50** Holly City. Oliver is determined to win funding for his chest wall reconstruction project. (R) **2.50** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Sooty. **6.10** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.20** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.45** Super 4. (R) **7.00** Mission Employable. (R) **7.05** Oddbods. (R) **7.10** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.30** Scrambled!: Scrambled! **7.35** Scrambled!: The Tom and Jerry Show. (R) **7.50** Scrambled!: Ben 10. (R) **8.10** Scrambled!: Mr Bean: The Animated Series. (R) **8.30** Scrambled!: Make It Pop. (R) **9.00** Scrambled!: Wishart. (R) **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears. (R) **10.00** Peston on Sunday. **11.05** Film: Carry On Screaming. (1966) **12.55** ITV News: Weather. **1.05** The X Factor Live. (R) **2.35** Midsomer Murders. (R) **4.30** Elton John: The Nation's Favourite Song. (R) **6.05** **Regional Programme:** Weather.
6.15 **ITV News:** Weather.
6.30 **The Chase: Celebrity Special.** Bradley Walsh presents as celebrity contestants Mark the Billingham, Aldo Zilli, Lucy Pargeter and Joey Essex pit their wits against ruthless quiz genius the Chaser in the hope of winning a potential prize pot worth thousands of pounds. They must work as a team and play strategically to answer general knowledge questions against the clock and race down the game board to the exit without being caught.
7.30 **The X Factor Live.** The fourth weekend of live shows comes to a conclusion, with the remaining acts competing to impress the audience and the judges and retain their place in the contest for another week. Presented by Dermot O'Leary.
9.00 **I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** New series. Ant and Dec present the celebrity survival challenge, as another batch of famous faces are flown out to the Australian jungle.
10.45 **ITV News:** Weather.
11.05 **Peston on Sunday.** Political magazine, presented by Robert Peston and Allegra Stratton. (R)
12.00 Gone to Pot: American Road Trip. Linda Robson, Pam St Clement, Christopher Biggins, John Fashanu and Bobby George go on a road trip across America to explore the pros and cons of legalising marijuana. (R) **12.50** Jackpot247. Viewers get the chance to participate in live interactive gaming from the comfort of their sofas. **3.00** Motorsport UK. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Kevin Can Wait. **6.25** Kevin Can Wait. **6.45** Kevin Can Wait. **7.10** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.35** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** Jamie's Quick & Easy Food. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons. (R) **1.30** The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** The Simpsons. (R) **2.30** The Simpsons. (R) **3.00** Film: Mr Popper's Penguins. (2011) Family comedy, starring Jim Carrey. **4.50** Channel 4 News. **5.20** Film: Men in Black II. (2002) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.
7.00 **Messages Home: Lost Films of the British Army.** Documentary about filmed messages made by British soldiers serving in Burma during the Second World War, which were recently recovered in a Manchester Town Hall basement. The footage features messages from the soldiers to their families at home, including a father speaking to a daughter he has not met, a decorated veteran troubled by the thought of killing, and a gunner longing to return to the woman he loved. (R)
8.00 **Guy Martin's WWI Tank.** The presenter builds a working replica of a First World War tank to mark the centenary of the Battle of Cambrai, and takes his tank driving test so he can take his creation on to the streets for Lincoln's Remembrance Day parade. He also delves into the history of the earliest armoured vehicles, the soldiers who crewed them, and the women who built them.
10.00 **Gogglebox.** Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (R)
11.00 **Film: Atonement.** (2007) A girl accuses her sister's lover of a crime he did not commit, unaware her actions will have tragic repercussions. Romantic period drama, starring Keira Knightley and James McAvoy.
1.15 The Secret Life of 4 Year Olds. Cameras follow playground friendships, romances and rivalries. (R) **2.10** The Supervet. (R) **3.05** Grand Designs Australia. (R) **4.00** Gillette World Sport. **4.25** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **4.55** Mobil 1 The Grid. (R) **5.20** Jamie's Comfort Food. (R) **5.35** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Little Princess. **6.10** Wanda and the Alien. (R) **6.20** Poppy Cat. (R) **6.35** Wisper. (R) **6.40** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **6.45** Milkshake! Bopping About. (R) **6.50** Simon. (R) **6.55** Peppa Pig. (R) **7.00** Paw Patrol. (R) **7.15** Bob the Builder. (R) **7.25** Fireman Sam. (R) **7.35** Olly the Little White Van. (R) **7.50** Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) **8.15** Paw Patrol. (R) **8.30** Nella the Princess Knight. (R) **8.50** Noddy: Toyland Detective. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** Shimmer and Shine. (R) **9.30** Digby Dragon. (R) **9.45** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.55** Peppa Pig. (R) **10.00** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.35** Football on 5: The Championship. (R) **11.25** Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) **11.50** Cruising With Jane McDonald. **12.10** Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud. (R) **12.40** Film: Chasing Christmas. (2005) **2.20** Film: Santa Who? (2000) **3.25** 5 News Update. **3.30** Film: Santa Who? (2000) Concluded. **4.10** Film: Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl. (2003) **5.10** 5 News Update. **5.15** Film: Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl. (2003) Concluded. **7.00** **Christmas Makes You Laugh Out Loud.** Iain Lee presents Christmas-themed videos that have taken the internet by storm in a seasonal special showcasing hilarious online clips with a festive twist. (R)
8.00 **Aviva Premiership Rugby Highlights.** Mark Durden-Smith and David Flatman present action from the eighth round of matches, including Gloucester v Saracens, Exeter Chiefs v Harlequins and Leicester Tigers v Sale Sharks.
8.55 **5 News Weekend.**
9.00 **Happy 90th: Ken Dodd In His Own Words.** Profile of the comedian, incorporating some of his best performances alongside rare archive interviews and contributions from friends, colleagues and fellow comics. (R)
11.05 **Happy 90th: Another Audience with Ken Dodd.** The frantic Merseyside funnyman entertains a star-studded audience. Among those attending are Claire Sweeney, Martin Clunes, Gary Rhodes, Ann Widdecombe and Ricky Tomlinson. (R)
12.20 Britain's Best Double Acts. (R) **1.15** SuperCasino. **3.10** Cats: Behind Closed Doors. (R) **4.00** My Mum's Hotter Than Me! (R) **4.50** Great Artists. (R) **5.20** Wildlife SOS. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four
7.00 Only Connect **7.30** University Challenge **8.00** Stunning Solists at the BBC **9.00** Shark **10.00** Country Music Awards 2017: Highlights **11.00** Rich Hall's Countryer Than You **12.30** Country at the BBC **1.30** Stunning Solists at the BBC **2.30** Shark **3.30** Close
ITV2
1.00 Take Me Out **2.15** You've Been Framed! Top 100 Animals **3.15** Film: Happy Feet Two (2011) **4.15** FYI Daily **4.20** Film: Happy Feet Two (2011) **5.20** Film: Despicable Me (2010) **6.20** FYI Daily **6.25** Film: Despicable Me (2010) **7.10** Film: Inception (2010) **8.10** FYI Daily **8.15** Film: Inception (2010) **10.15** Family Guy **10.45** I'm a Celebrity: Extra Camp **11.45** Family Guy **12.45** American Dad! **1.45** The Keith Lemon Sketch Show **1.25** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.30** Teleshopping
ITV3
1.20 Film: Murder on the Orient Express (1974) **2.20** FYI Daily **2.25** Film: Murder on the Orient Express (1974) **3.55** Film: Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (1973) **6.00** Wycliffe **7.05** Agatha Christie's Marple **9.00** The Syndicate **10.10** Film: The Theory of Everything (2014) **11.15** FYI Daily **11.20** Film: The Theory of Everything (2014) **12.35** The Knock **2.35** Mr Selfridge **3.25** Wycliffe **ITV4**
1.30 ITV Racing Live at Cheltenham and Fontwell Park. **4.00** Film: The Alamo (1960) **5.00** FYI Daily **5.05** Film: The Alamo (1960) **7.15** Football's Greatest: George Best **7.30** River Monsters **8.00** The Chase: Celebrity Special **9.00** Film: Cliffhanger (1993) **10.00** FYI Daily **10.05** Film: Cliffhanger (1993) **11.15** Film: Hard to Kill (1990) **12.15** FYI Daily **12.20** Film: Hard to Kill (1990) **1.20** River Monsters **1.50** The Avengers **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping
E4
11.00 Made in Chelsea **12.00** Don't Tell the Bride **1.00** Film: Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (2009) **2.45** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **3.00** The Goldbergs **4.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** Film: Rise of the Planet of the Apes (2011) **10.05** Naked Attraction **11.05** The Big Bang Theory **12.05** Gogglebox **1.05** First Dates **2.10** Rude Tube
Film4
1.00 Thunderbirds (2004) **2.50** When Marnie Was There (2014) **4.55** Letters to Juliet (2010) **7.00** The Cold Light of Day (2012) **9.00** Exodus: Gods and Kings (2014) **11.55** Legion (2010) **1.55** Lovelace (2013) **3.50** Close

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FILM CHOICES

MONDAY

Nanny for Christmas, Channel 5, 3.15pm

An unemployed advertising executive gets a job as an au pair and tries to give the kids in her charge a break from their rigidly organised lives. She tries to impress an executive she is attracted to by claiming to still be in the advertising business, a deception that proves hard to maintain. Romantic comedy, starring Emmanuelle Vaugier and Richard Ruccolo. (2010)

TUESDAY

Dear Secret Santa, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A woman receives a series of anonymous Christmas cards which appear to be from an old friend of hers who recently died. Drama, starring Tatyana Ali and Bill Cobbs. (2013)

WEDNESDAY

A Snow Globe Christmas, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A cynical TV executive accidentally knocks herself out while railing against the disappointments of her life. She wakes up to find herself in another world, where she is married with two children. As she comes to realise she is not dreaming, she must decide which life she wants to live. Festive fantasy, starring Alicia Witt, Donald Faison and Christina Milian. (2013)



Boyhood, Friday, Channel 4, 12.05am

THURSDAY

Wild Card, Channel 5, 9pm

Las Vegas bodyguard Nick Wild finds himself dealing with more than just his gambling problem after he takes revenge on the criminal who attacked his friend, little realising that the thug in question is the son of a mob boss. Action thriller, starring Jason Statham, Michael Angarano and Milo Ventimiglia. (2015)

FRIDAY

Boyhood, Channel 4, 12.05am

A boy goes through a series of changes in his life, beginning as a six-year-old facing a reunion with his estranged father and a move to a new house. As he grows up, the youngster deals with further upheavals that shape his view of the world. Richard Linklater's drama filmed over the course of 12 years, starring Ellar Coltrane, Patricia Arquette and Ethan Hawke. (2014)

Mary serves up a tasty treat in her new culinary show

Channel 4's version of The Great British Bake Off has now aired, and most people would probably declare it to be a success – even if new judge Prue Leith did stumble at the final hurdle by accidentally tweeting the identity of the winner hours before the last episode aired.

But despite the revamped Bake Off's continuing popularity, it seems unlikely that original presenters Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins and judge Mary Berry are regretting not following the show to its new home – for a start, they simply haven't had time.

Mel and Sue have been busy hosting everything from Saturday night singing contests to travelogues about the Ganges, while Mary brought us Mary Berry Everyday and is due to judge a new televised contest, provisionally titled Britain's Best Cook. She's also set to be reunited with her old Bake Off friends for the festive special Mary, Mel and Sue's Surprise Party, which sees the trio coming together to throw a bash for the regulars at a

South Wales community centre.

But before that, Mary is hosting the new series Country House Secrets, which sees her exploring some of the nation's most beloved stately homes – and finding out more about the food that has been served there.

In the process, she will learn about life both upstairs and downstairs, meeting the house's present-day custodians and the dedicated staff as she explores the kitchens, gardens and private rooms, many of which are usually off-limits to visitors.

And what she learns will inspire her to make her own special recipes, celebrating the heritage and legacy of the houses.

Mary Berry says: "I am so excited to be doing this new series with the BBC – I have always had an enquiring mind so I know I will be inspired by the Great Houses we visit."

Tanya Shaw, Managing Director of Shine TV added: "I can't think of anyone more perfect to tell the

stories of these great households and to bring us such a unique insight into Britain's rich culinary past."

In the opening edition, Mary heads to Highclere Castle in Hampshire, which is home to the 8th Earl and Countess of Carnarvon and is now most famous as the real-life Downton Abbey – it was the main location for the acclaimed period drama. However, it's also renowned as a setting for some of the most lavish and influential weekend parties in history.

As well as learning more about the property's illustrious past, Mary also discovers what it takes to keep such a grand home like this going in today's world as she talks to the family, staff and the estate's loyal group of gamekeepers.

Then Mary takes to the kitchen to prepare an elaborate menu for a grand finale dinner, including raspberry tartlets and a gamekeeper's stew. Surely even Maggie Smith's imperious Dowager Countess wouldn't be able to find fault with that.



Mary Berry's Country House Secrets, Wednesday, BBC1, 8pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

Would I Lie to You?

BBC1, 8.30pm

New series. Comedian and writer David Baddiel, former MP and Strictly Come Dancing 2016 star Ed Balls, stand-up and actress Jo Brand and ex-Pussycat Doll and Celebrity MasterChef 2015 winner Kimberly Wyatt join host Rob Brydon and captains David Mitchell and Lee Mack as the comedy panel show returns for its 11th series. As usual, the participants aim to hoodwink their opponents with absurd facts and plausible lies about themselves in a bid to secure a team victory and the dubious honour of being dubbed Rob's liar of the week.

TUESDAY

The Martin Lewis Money Show Live

ITV, 8pm

Interest rates went up recently for the first time in an age, so it's rather timely that Martin Lewis is back with a live, two-hour special, in which he will no doubt address some of the issues that may cause for consumers. Credit card lending, energy prices and inflation are already on the up, and so the financial expert is determined to keep their impact on the general public down with some top tips to keep cash in your wallet. Christmas is looming too,

which can be a difficult time for those already struggling to make ends meet. There's advice on where to find the best bargains and Black Friday offers that should enable us to snap up cheap gifts and gadgets. Plus, consumers from across the country are being invited to pitch their questions to Lewis live on the night.

WEDNESDAY

The Secret Life of the Zoo

Channel 4, 8pm

The keepers try to work out why male red panda Jung is losing weight, with a full medical examination scheduled after a special diet fails to solve the problem. West African mandrill JC is being challenged for his dominant position by his sons Ludo and Jareth and, while JC is taken for some health checks, Ludo gets 'over-friendly' with his dad's girlfriend. Tempers start to fray among Chester Zoo's Humboldt penguin colony during the annual moult – can youngsters Frazzle and Munch avoid being picked on by the grown-ups?

THURSDAY

The Search for a Miracle Cure

Channel 4, 10pm

Documentary following leading

lawyer Mark Lewis, the man who fought the News of the World in the phone hacking scandal, as he joins a clinical trial that might offer a breakthrough cure for multiple sclerosis. He learned he had the condition at the age of 25 but his high-profile battle with the tabloids has exacerbated his symptoms.

Now 50, he travels to Hadassah University Medical Centre in Jerusalem, where the work being done could have a positive impact on neurological conditions such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

FRIDAY

The World's Greatest Bridges

Channel 5, 8pm

The latest episode of this series should be even more insightful than usual, as engineer Rob Bell isn't just examining two bridges – he also meets the man who designed them, world-renowned British architect



Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast, Friday, Channel 4, 8pm

Norman Foster. Bell begins by learning more about the world's tallest bridge, the Millau Viaduct, which rises 343m over the river Tarn in southern France. It also has a claim to be the most beautiful bridge in the world and has become a tourist attraction in its own right, but it was also designed to be functional, taking traffic across the 2.5 km wide Tarn gorge. Bell discovers that at the same time that Foster was working on the viaduct, he was also creating London's Millennium Bridge, which caused controversy when it was found to wobble.

Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast

Channel 4, 8pm

New series. Guest Simon Pegg joins Jamie Oliver and Jimmy Doherty as they rustle up dishes for the weekend from their cafe on Southend Pier. On the menu is a melt-in-the mouth lamb tagine, inspired by Simon's time spent filming in Morocco. Jamie prepares an indulgent Provencal bake, made by layering pancakes and packing them full of smoked ham and oozy cheese. This series sees Jimmy use his DIY skills to create imaginative solutions to food dilemmas, starting with a Korean barbecue served to a wheelchair rugby team from an innovative picnic table. Plus, the boys champion for more free-range duck farming in the UK.

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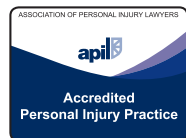
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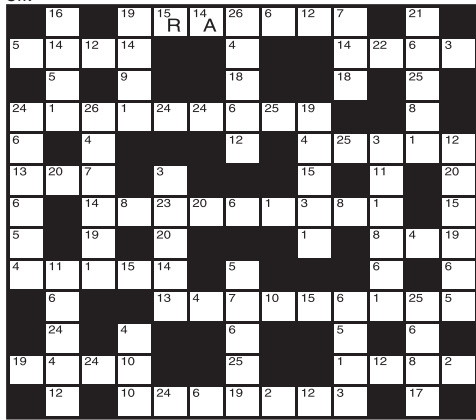


BRAIN GYM

No.456

Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

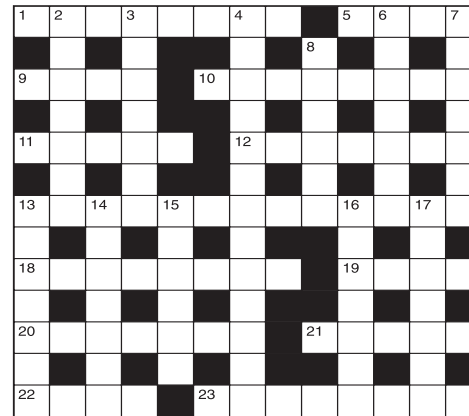
Cryptic Clues:

Across

- In rear adaptation telephoned the one making adaptations (8)
- Pass round nothing lacking warmth (4)
- A sign that cattiness brings pleasure (4)
- Its trend is loud and harsh (8)
- Conservatively correct? (5)
- Substitute wrong parcel with letter (7)
- Mood and tense as changed in moderation (13)
- It is clear father backs what he is (8)
- Aim and score (4)
- Make Peter go as person with a patron (7)
- He is a dunderhead, and greedy with it (5)
- Libertine in the garden? (4)
- Not the status of the sitter, presumably (8)

Down

- Having a regular system is the oriental way (7)
- Balloon provides ventilation on vessel (7)
- Go in with wrong main intent for hospitality (13)
- Work in theatre (7)
- Correspondence from landlords? (7)
- It's easy to make bad lies about politician (6)
- Hunter takes up role in repertory (7)
- It gets the cartographer in the library (7)
- Got paid for not quite being scholarly? (6)
- Grading a skinflint (7)
- Is not at stop on the line (7)



Quick Clues:

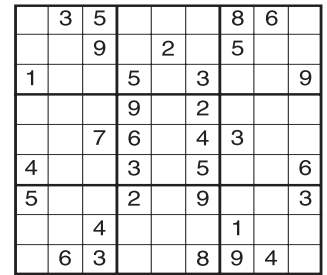
Across

- Hallow (8)
- Sour (4)
- Cowshed (4)
- Mishap (8)
- Spruce (5)
- Special gifts (7)
- Pun (4,4,5)
- Curiosity (8)
- Slender (4)
- Slavery (7)
- Dense (5)
- Vivacity (4)
- Amaze (8)

Down

- Bottomless (7)
- Distinctly (7)
- Waggishness (13)
- Detergent (7)
- Loathes (7)
- Head cushion (6)
- Flexible (7)
- Feeler (7)
- Tumult (6)
- Obsolete (7)
- Gods (7)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid above so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

5	7	9	2	3	6	8	4	1
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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Alpaca; 4 Screws; 9 Well-conducted; 10 Looking; 11 Habit; 12 Stops; 14 Astir; 18 Oiled; 19 Pitcher; 21 National dress; 22 Steaks; 23 Slates. Down: 1 As well; 2 Pull out all the; 3 Cacti; 5 Couches; 6 Establishment; 7 Sedate; 8 Inigo; 13 Paddock; 15 Points; 16 Spray; 17 Crises; 20 Tidal. QUICK - Across: 1 Chintz; 4 Hamper; 9 Superstitious; 10 Amiable; 11 Carol; 12 Stick; 14 Verse; 18 Rifle; 19 Replied; 21 Inappropriate; 22 Extend; 23 Desert. Down: 1 Casual; 2 In point of fact; 3 Throb; 5 Article; 6 Procrastinate; 7 Result; 8 Strew; 13 Cheaper; 15 Arrive; 16 Prior; 17 Advent; 20 Purge.

Quiz

- Which scientist was US ambassador to France 1776-85?
- What is the capital of Luxembourg?
- Who became director of the FBI in 1924?
- Of what nationality was the astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus?
- Of what was Goebbels minister in the Third Reich?
- Who made the golden calf?
- Which animal's fur is called musquash?
- For how many matches was John Toshack Wales's manager?
- In which US state is Palo Alto?
- Who wrote The Mill on the Floss in 1860?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Honshu; 2 Simon Bolivar; 3 General de Gaulle; 4 Frankenstein; 5 Elijah; 6 Salmon; 7 Wolverhampton Wanderers; 8 Norns; 9 China; 10 Jutland.

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Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

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gives a Surrey town,
gives a second Surrey town,
gives a Surrey village.

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The bar and restaurant, on the Birmingham New Road, in Wolverhampton, has not been open long but – when we visited – was already very busy.

Having driven past on numerous occasions on the way to work, I decided to finally try it out with my wife Kelly and our three-year-old daughter, Annabelle.

We were given a lovely little table in the corner, which looked out on to the very impressive beer garden.

The restaurant layout was modern, with neatly arranged tables alongside smaller, more private areas for couples. Large parties and families could easily be catered for, and there were two large-screen TVs showing sport.

VARIETY

When it came to the meal, orders were placed at the bar with customers quoting a table number.

The starters included a wide variety of vegetarian, and meaty options. Many veggies I know would have been delighted with the wide selection.

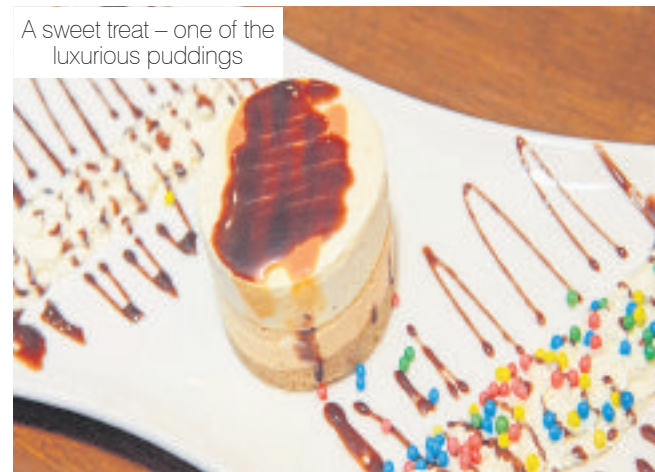
We went for both veggie and meat options with the aloo tikka chaat, which was potatoes served with chickpea masala, and lollipop chicken, served with a homemade dip.

The main course options included staple Indian favourites such as jalfrezi, madras, saag, bhuna, vindaloo and balti. There was also an extensive house specials menu, which included a wide range of veggie, meat and fish dishes. The biryani were also classed

Spice up your life – curry with naan bread and rice



A sweet treat – one of the luxurious puddings



specials and looked very tasty. I chose a different house special, north Indian chilli garlic chicken, tempered with fresh chillis and garlic.

If the starter had been a little bit bigger than expected, the mains were the perfect size and came served in a traditional metal curry bowl.

It wasn't the hottest curry I'd ever tasted but it was delightful to get the odd extra kick from the fresh chillis, which had been chopped up and sprinkled over the chicken. The chicken was tender and there was plenty of the sauce to mop up the egg rice and keema naan

we shared. Kelly opted for the rahra gosht, diced spring lamb and mince cooked together. Again, the texture of the sauce was really thick and tasty. I wouldn't like to guess what spices were used in my wife's dish but it's safe to say it was loaded with flavour – perhaps one to avoid for those who like a lighter curry, but we loved it.

If curry isn't for you and you fancy something a bit more like pub grub, the menu also included pub favourites like gammon, beefburgers and steaks.

Having looked at the more traditional children's menu, we decided to try something different with Annabelle

– who is generally an adventurous eater – and ordered a mild chicken korma. After mixing it with the egg fried rice, she lapped up it all.

There were, however, plenty of lovely sweets to choose from for those with a sweet tooth, including the gajar ka halwa, which is an Indian carrot pudding.

The drinks, appetiser, starters, mains and puddings all came in at around £50, so if you fancy a nice meal out in a welcoming environment that isn't going to break the bank, you could do a lot worse than trying out The Garden Bar.

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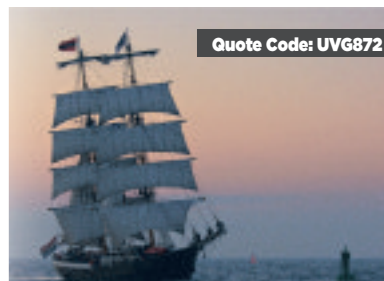
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Well-equipped, sophisticated and stylish

By Graham Breeze

Launched early this year the Peugeot 3008 is now firmly recognised as a leading player in the growing SUV C segment – and I recently discovered just why it has become so popular.

Transport for a four-man golfing trip was about to become a big issue until the 3008 arrived on the driveway and the reasons why a bulging collection of the industry's top awards have landed in the company's trophy cabinet were about to be revealed.

First impressions didn't suggest the Peugeot would be up to the job of coping with four sets of golf clubs, trolleys, bags and suit hangers for the "dressed-up" dinner which followed the game. But the 3008 proved us all wrong.

It soon became obvious why the 3008 has won so many industry awards this year, including car of the year at the Geneva Motor Show – and it really doesn't get much better than that.

Not only did the model swallow up the huge load of golfing paraphernalia but it also revealed the latest in Peugeot's unique "i-Cockpit" interior design, one of the most advanced technological packages available in the UK market.

The new "i-Cockpit" design places key instrumentation in the driver's eyeline for a safer and more engaging driving experience, as well as adding to the overall ambience of an already premium interior.

This Peugeot is a well-equipped, sophisticated and stylish vehicle that combines efficiency, high-specification, high-level of safety and technological equipment and unique features. All models include the

"i-Cockpit, a compact steering wheel, the very latest heads-up digital instrument panel and 8inch touchscreen control panel.

The range starts from £21,795 with a well-specified 'Active' model that has so many standard features, key among which is a host of safety equipment ordinarily only available on top-of-the-range models. These include; AEB (Automatic Emergency Braking System), adaptive driver and front passenger airbags, driver and front passenger side, front and rear curtain airbags, Dynamic Stability Control and ASR – Electronic Anti-skid System and a driver attention alert system.

Choice

There's a choice of four trim levels – 'Active', 'Allure', 'GT Line' and the top-of-the-range 'GT' with a wide choice of engines available, and CO2 emissions from just 103g/km.

Petrol engine versions are 130hp and 165hp, with CO2 emissions of 117 to 129g/km, with the 1.2-litre PureTech 3-cylinder turbo engine, voted Engine of the Year in its category for the second-year running and the 1.6L THP. The PureTech 130 is available in 6-speed manual or EAT6 automatic transmission while the 165hp is mated to the 6-speed EAT6 automatic.

Four diesel engines are available, model dependent, with advanced BlueHDI technology that makes it possible to keep the CO2 emissions low, between 103 and 124g/km, with power ranging between 100, 120, 150 and 180hp.

On test was the GT Line BlueHDI 120 which had an on-the-road price of £29,425, though a motorised tailgate, keyless entry, metallic paint, cruise control, grip control, heated front seats and a very welcome driver massage



Peugeot's 3008 has one of the most advanced technological packages available in the UK market

function pushed the price up to £32,150. There was a top speed of 116mph, 0-62mph in 11.6seconds, CO2 levels of 108g/km and a really impressive 67mpg on the combined cycle meaning this Peugeot is not just a good looking, spacious and well-equipped car but also economical to run.

Outwardly the 3008 doesn't look as big as the interior reveals with a body-coloured rear spoiler with stainless steel edging trim,

body protectors, stainless steel roof arch trim, chrome front fog light trim and smart 17inch alloy wheels.

Inside you get a central front armrest with butterfly-wing opening and illuminated chiller compartment, electric parking brake with hill assist, two illuminated cup-holders, one-touch electric front and rear windows, a rear armrest with ski flap and two cup-holders, a two-position boot floor and the ability to fold all

rear seats completely flat. For those wanting in-car entertainment there's a lot on offer including, DAB radio, Mirrorscreen: Mirrorlink /Apple CarPlay, Bluetooth, USB socket and three 12V sockets, a six-speaker radio and MP3 compatibility.

It really is saying something when there's so much competition out there but the Peugeot 3008 is one of the best large crossovers I have ever driven.



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There's a more European set-up in terms of suspension, steering and handling

Kia's updated flagship premium Sorento SUV

By Carmel Stewart

Driving a Kia in Korea is a sure-fire way to fit in with the thousands of drivers rushing in and out of Seoul every day, as the vast majority show great brand loyalty by driving home-grown vehicles.

Many commuters favour the Kia Ray – a boxy little commuter special made solely for the Korean market. At the other end of the spectrum is the flagship Sorento SUV which puts Kia into the premium sector alongside the likes of the Audi Q5 and the Volvo XC60.

First introduced here in 2002, it does not have a huge road presence in the UK but is, nevertheless, always on the verge of breaking into the big time. A quality seven-seater, all-wheel-drive with a 2,500kg towing capacity, it is well able to hold its own among the Volvos and Land Rovers on the school run and rural rough stuff.

It has gone through a few incarnations over the years with the third-generation model being added in 2014. Each time sales have far exceeded expectations .

The new Sorento is what is called a 'product enhancement model'. It is based on the 2014 version but with a host of changes.

As with all Kias, its production has been overseen by two key players. Designer and president, Peter Schreyer, joined Kia in 2006 from Audi where he was responsible for the sleek and instantly recognisable

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The Sorento is a quality seven-seater

Audi TT, among other vehicles. His designs have established a Kia family look and a more European appeal. Engineering expert, Albert Biermann, who joined the company from BMW in 2015, has added a more European set-up in terms of suspension, steering, and handling.

The net result is a well put together, good looking, stylish SUV with new grille, bumpers, lighting clusters and alloys, a spacious, comfortable interior, uncluttered dash and flexible seating which offers plenty of space for seven average sized occupants. Six-footers may struggle to get comfortable in the rearmost seats which pull out from the floor.

The excellent sat nav displayed on an eight-inch screen has clear maps and all the information required. It will only confound if set to Korean as this includes a warning baby squeak should you attempt to sneak over the designation speed limit.

Given that UK vehicles will all give directions in English, the way forward should be clear and squeak free.

In keeping with other premium brands, Kia has incorporated hi-tech connectivity into the system so that full smartphone integration is achieved via Apple CarPlay and Android Auto with a wireless smartphone charger for charging while on the move.

Engine and transmission options are very straightforward – a 2.2litre diesel engine, married to either a six-speed manual transmission or an ultra-smooth eight-speed automatic which offers a choice of driving modes – Eco, Comfort, Sport and Smart – which drivers can select to suit their driving style and the conditions. Sorting out which is best for you is a matter of trial and error as changes to the steering response and power input are very subtle.

The real changes come with the new technologies which Kia has bunched together under its Drive Wise driver assistance package and include driver attention warning, which alerts the driver when he or she shows signs of drowsiness, plus lane keep assist and full LED headlights with dynamic bending lights.

The 2018 Sorento, Mark 3.1 will be offered with trims KX 1, 2, plus the sporty GT Line and GT Line S replacing 3 and 4. The GT versions will inevitably up the ante both in price and aesthetics, adding LED fog lights, red brake callipers, a more prominent sill step and dual chrome exhaust. Inside, classy leather quilted seat and embroidered GT Line emblems together with satin chrome highlights add to the premium feel.

The new Sorento is due in the UK towards the end of this year. Pricing is expected to be in the £30,000 to £40,000 bracket if previous levels are anything to go by.

Fiesta matures from cheeky chappie into a serious adult

By Ian Donaldson

A couple of miles into the test drive I realised the car was humming quietly along the main road – in fourth gear.

If ever you needed a demonstration that the new Fiesta has matured into an even more serious player here it was, with two gears left to go.

At a stroke the best selling car in the UK for the last eight years has turned from cheeky chappie (but loads of fun) into a car that feels bigger and softer and not quite so keen to have a laugh with you.

That certainly applies to the likely biggest seller in the new range, the Zetec trim version with its 100 horsepower engine and – crucially – new six-speed gearbox instead of the previous five.

The Zetec – second up in a Fiesta pecking order stretching from 70 horsepower petrol £12,715 Style to 120 horsepower diesel £21,225 Vignale – is an instant charmer. More so on the inside than out, you'd have to say. The exterior of the latest Fiesta has grown very modestly and is completely restyled, although you might never guess.

That's as fine a compliment to the outgoing model as you could pay; don't mess with a look that's won thousands of sales. The result is a car with space to spare in the front – and a near perfect driving position – but just enough room in the rear for a couple of adults and a boot big enough for a family's supermarket shop but less generous than some of the competition.



The boot is big enough for a supermarket shop

Inside is where the attention needed to be paid, with the old car's dashboard looking increasingly like a relic from the past, littered with meanly sized displays and an excess of tiny buttons. All gone! Replaced in the modern minimalist fashion by a big iPad-like touchscreen that looks smart but doesn't have a lot to say for itself without a satellite navigation map on display (sat nav is standard on some dearer cars, a £300 option on others).

If the all-change interior is much needed step up, the engine choice is mostly as before, which is no bad thing if you enjoy the willing thrum of a three-cylinder petrol unit. Gone is the old and mildly asthmatic 1.25 litre engine, with most new Fiestas using versions of the established 1.0 litre three-cylinder unit in differing outputs – 100/125/140 horsepower and with CO2 readings from as low as 97g/km.

The old 1.5 litre diesel engine remains, in two power outputs (85/120 horsepower, from 82g/km), but will take less than one in ten sales.

The new six-speed manual gearbox will feature in the bulk of new Fiestas, which will have five doors too. Ford is sticking with a three-door option in a market increasingly ditching this choice on the grounds that not enough buyers bother these days to make it worthwhile.

The on-paper list price of most cars is an irrelevance these days and that's absolutely the case with the Fiesta, where 85 per cent of private buyers will opt for a personal contract plan (PCP) that provides a Zetec-spec car from £116 a month over three years and with a £5,000 deposit. That's an increase of £15 a month over the outgoing and a drive in the new one makes that look a sensible investment.

Tweaks to the suspension and clearly a lot of work on soundproofing have changed the Fiesta into a car that quietly soaks up bad British road surfaces, only objecting a little to the biggest bumps, and turning into corners with most of the eagerness of old.

Even with fourth gear standing in for sixth some of the time (blame that newfound quietness) the test drive showed 46mpg in a 100 horsepower version, which never felt underpowered.

If a tiny bit of the puppy dog spirit has gone you have to reckon the payback in refined progress is going to be welcomed by the majority of owners. And there are quicker, firmer ones on the way soon, don't forget.



The exterior of the latest Fiesta has grown very modestly



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SEAT's Ibiza won't break the bank!

By John Griffiths

Out on the streets there's a familiar face – but don't be fooled.

SEAT's new supermini is clearly an Ibiza but this is no midlife makeover. It's a completely new car. While it in some ways shares the familiar outline of its predecessor, the new car's more edgy styling in fact owes a lot to its big brother, the Leon.

Plus it's on the brand new MBQ-Ao platform (the first car in the VW Audi Group to benefit from this radical step forward), and it will be built alongside the Audi A1.

While it is slightly shorter on the outside, inside it's considerably bigger than the outgoing model because it's wheelbase has been stretched, benefitting ride and handling but also adding 35mm extra legroom in the rear, taking it to the top of the class.

Plus there's a generous for the class 355 litres of boot space, if you opt for the version with a tyre repair kit and electric inflator instead of a full-size spare wheel.

There is a range of petrol-only engines offering power outputs from 75 to 115PS all with lively performance and economy of around the 50mpg mark. There's no diesel option, but with SEAT's history of creating sporty models you won't be surprised that a 1.5TSI (another new VW Group engine) is coming soon in the 150PS Evo version.

Prices start from £13,130 for the entry level S model, but SEAT expects the best seller to be the better equipped SE, from £14,000 to £14,595 according to engine choice.

At the top of the range the tree splits in to two branches – the sportily themed FR and the luxury Xcellence, the flagship topping out at £17,310.

Bearing in mind equipment levels, interior

space and new levels of refinement the new Ibiza poses a serious, value for money challenge to some of its big rivals like the Ford Fiesta and Vauxhall Corsa.

Not that the Ibiza has been slow out of the showrooms: it's played a major part in SEAT's 30 per cent increase in sales over the past four years, making the Spanish company one of the fastest growing brands in the UK.

The three 'standard' engines are all based on the (fairly) new 1.0 litre, three cylinder turbocharged petrol unit, which has already impressed on the larger, heavier VW Golf.

Similar engines seem to be taking over the small car sector and, if you've tried one, that won't be a surprise. It isn't just the horsepower they produce (compared to normally aspirated units), it's the extra, hefty levels of torque thanks to turbocharging which means livelier performance at relatively low revs.

Then, as you get towards motorway cruising speeds it's the ability to keep up with the flow of traffic at lower revs, lower noise levels and greatly increased refinement. It feels like a non-turbo engine of 1600 or even 1800cc in a quality midrange family car.

Most manufacturers have now realised the benefits of what are incredibly efficient little engines, capable of lively performance, increased economy and low CO2 levels.

The chosen test car was an SE version with the middle (95ps) engine, which at £14,595 is likely to be one of the biggest-selling new Ibizas. For the record, it's 0 to 62mph sprint time is a quick 10.9 seconds while its official fuel average is 60.1mpg, with a low 106g/km of CO2 and an affordable group 5E insurance rating.

That's significantly quicker, yet more economical, than the 75PS non-turbo power plant in the basic model. But of course the

figures don't tell the whole story: it's that more relaxed and refined driving experience which gives the car a grown-up feel. The 175Nm of torque at just 1,500rpm – for the sake of comparison that's nearly double the pulling power of a conventional one litre car from the same group, and a much lower revs, too.

As well as more leg room, the new Ibiza is 87mm wider than its predecessor which, together with the extra legroom, makes the back rather more comfortable for three passengers (although the centre 'seat' is rather firmer and narrower than the outer two).

Inside, the cabin has taken a big step forward with improved design, higher quality materials and additional instruments and equipment. The centre console is dominated by a five-inch touchscreen multi media system (with remote controls duplicated on the steering wheel). The car also comes with aircon, Bluetooth, a full safety package including multiple airbags, ABS, tyre pressure monitoring, stability programme, emergency brake assist and hill hold assist, LED lights, front fog lights with cornering function, electric front windows, trip computer and 15-inch alloy wheels.

Higher up the range, the FR and Xcellence benefit from multiple driving modes (from eco to sport), electrically folding mirrors and upgraded upholstery and trim. The FR also has sports suspension.

The SE test car's suspension, combined with the engineering benefits from the new platform and longer wheelbase (with shorter overhangs) makes even this non-sports version a fun to drive supermini. Its optimum damping provided a smooth, quiet ride over some of the rougher roads on the Welsh test run. Yet at the same time its dynamic performance is impressive: the Ibiza's turn-in



The new car has more edgy styling than the outgoing model

is quick and accurate, and it runs through the quicker bends with confidence-inspiring stability and an absence of body roll.

Of course there will be those who opt for the even more dynamic FR – which you'll have to do if you want the more top-powered 1.5TSI, 150PS engine, only available in this specification.

The Ibiza story goes back to 1984 and in its four generations so far it has been a mainstay of SEAT's sales. The new generation model

is bigger inside, has a much-improved interior and more equipment than ever. Plus SEAT hasn't thrown the baby out with the bathwater – the company has always enjoyed something of a fun, sporty reputation and the new model certainly won't disappoint in that aspect, even though its engine range has reached new levels of efficiency.

If you're in the market for a good supermini that won't break the bank, it's worth booking a test drive.

Skoda's Karoq gets a top safety score of five stars in independent Euro NCAP test



The Škoda Karoq is the Czech car manufacturer's latest model to receive a five-star safety rating from Euro NCAP, making the Karoq one of the safest compact SUVs on the road today.

"We are delighted that the new Škoda Karoq has also passed the Euro NCAP tests with flying colours," says Škoda board member for technical development, Christian Strube.

"We are constantly working on optimising the passive and active safety of our models and developing occupant and pedestrian protection, as well as assistance systems. Numerous driver assistance systems are installed in the Karoq that would otherwise only be found in higher vehicle classes," says Strube.

Euro NCAP awarded the occupant protection of adult passengers an excellent 93 per cent. In addition, Euro NCAP highlighted the protection of the cervical spine in rear-end collisions.

The compact SUV's emergency braking system worked reliably at low urban speeds and prevented almost all collisions. Euro NCAP also awarded the full score for the protection of pedestrians' legs.

The compact SUV also protected pedestrians' heads well in the event of a collision.

Outstanding

Following the Škoda Kodiaq, the Škoda Karoq is the brand's second vehicle to receive a five-star rating in 2017.

Škoda is currently one of the few car manufacturers whose entire model range has received a five-star rating in the Euro NCAP test.

The Karoq owes its outstanding passive safety to its high torsional rigidity, generous deformation zones in the extremely secure cabin and the use of high-strength and ultra-high-strength steels, for example in the side beams.

In addition, the compact SUV has seven standard airbags: driver and passenger airbags, side airbags, head airbags and knee airbag.

Child seats can be fixed in using Top-Tether or the Isofix system, also available for the front passenger seat.

In the event of a rear-end collision, specially designed headrests reduce the risk of whiplash for the driver and front passenger. The proactive occupant protection system also tightens front seatbelts in a collision and closes open windows including the sunroof.

The Karoq has a large number of cameras as well as radar and sensor-based driver assistance systems. The front radar assistant, which includes city emergency braking with person recognition, helps to prevent accidents with pedestrians.

Manoeuvre assist and pulling-away assist help the driver in reduced visibility and warn of hidden dangers.

Other safety features on board include an adaptive-distance assistant, a lane-keeping, camera-based traffic sign recognition, an emergency call function, a traffic jam assistant and fatigue detection.

Plan to increase maximum sentences welcomed by GEM



Road safety organisation GEM Motoring Assist has welcomed the news that the Ministry of Justice to increase the maximum sentence for motorists who have caused death by dangerous driving.

The new measures mean these drivers could face the same length of sentence as those convicted of manslaughter, with maximum penalties raised from 14 years to life.

This is a crucial move to rid the UK's roads of their most dangerous and persistent offenders, according to GEM. Furthermore, it demonstrates a Government commitment to protecting vulnerable road users.

GEM road safety officer Neil Worth said: "We support these new measures. There should be no place on our roads for people who have shown a flagrant disregard for the rules and cause death because they were using a mobile phone, speeding, over the drink-drive limit or impaired by drugs."

"We are all familiar with the tragic examples where a killer driver is convicted but receives only a short sentence or even just a driving ban and a fine. Too often victims and their families have been let down, even after having their lives shattered by the selfish and reckless acts of an irresponsible driver."

"We believe the tougher sentences will help bring an end to these situations. After all, a culpable death should be treated as manslaughter, however it may be caused."

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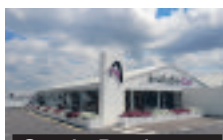
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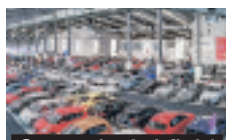
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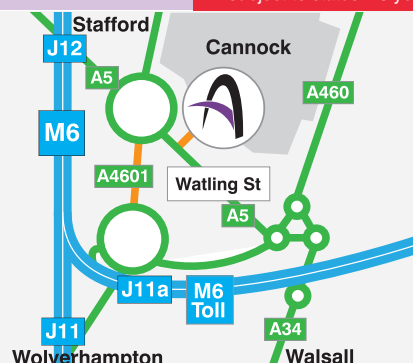


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Vauxhall has its sights firmly set on the family car market with the launch of the latest of its 'X-car models.

The Grandland X, at prices from £22,310, will hit the UK's roads with, initially, a choice of two engines, one diesel and one petrol, with the accent on fuel economy.

While its looks are sharper and more large hatchback than the traditional SUV, its rather sporty appearance to a degree disguises its large interior, with room for five and luggage space that's top of its class with many family-friendly features.

The Grandland eschews four wheel drive (power goes to the front) such as is available on some the Mokka X models, but you can specify the 'Intelligrrip' option which adjusts the standard electronic stability control to provide more traction.

It shares its platform with the new Peugeot 3008 under a deal signed before the French company acquired Vauxhall/Opel, but apart from the obvious exterior styling differences, its well-equipped interior is unique too.

While it has a strong and sturdy-looking front end, the sloping rear roof contributes a sporting appeal without compromising head room for up to three adults in the back. The front and outer rear seats are large and comfortable, with plenty of legroom all round. Boot space is family-sized too, with 514 litres, extending to 1,652 litres.

Grandland has that essential SUV virtue – a high seating

position for easy access and better visibility – with the rear seats pitched slightly higher so those in the back can more easily enjoy the view forward.

The car also gets dual zone climate control, a power socket for those in the rear for phones and games, while a central colour touch screen operates such as the infotainment system which includes the audio, bluetooth and connectivity system such as full iPhone and smartphone apps and links.

There's also Vauxhall's OnStar system, which puts you in touch with a human operator at the touch of a button for information and assistance in an emergency or breakdown, as well as being able to track the vehicle. It's excellent, and already credited with saving lives as well as helping to recover stolen vehicles.

The test car was powered by the 1.6 litre, 120Ps option with a healthy 300Nm of torque, plenty to pull the Grandland along smoothly and particularly quietly. Its vital statistics are 0 to 62mph in 11.8 seconds, while for the family motorist the more important figures are the potential to cover 70.6 miles on a gallon of fuel and a low CO2 rating of just 104g/km.

With today's politics of car buying, though, lower mileage motorists may be tempted by the excellent one-litre petrol unit. Thanks to turbocharging it too has plenty of power and torque (the same 120Ps as the diesel, and 230Nm of torque), endowing it with a slightly quicker sprint



The Grandland X has sharper looks than the traditional hatchback

time and still managing better than 53mpg – a set of figures unimaginable in a family-sized petrol car just a few years ago.

The Grandland X's ride is soft and cossetting, its suspension tuned for comfort rather than dynamism. There is some body roll through faster corners, but it does a very good job of soaking up the bumps on some of our badly-patched B roads. The steering is light and the six-speed manual gearbox (there is an auto option) is slick. Together with excellent visibility for the drive, it helps to make the Grandland an easy and relaxing car to drive.

The car is also the first to get Vauxhall's new 'Intelligrrip' traction system, which adjusts the engine, transmission, torque distribution and stability system to give the driver five separate 'modes' to

cope with adverse conditions. It was developed because it is so much lighter than a full four-wheel drive system, aiding performance and particularly fuel economy.

The test car, a higher grade model at £28,035, came with a particularly high specification including leather faced seats (sports styled for the front), a larger (eight-inch) colour control screen with satnav, cruise control with speed limiter, heated front seats (power adjustable for the driver), foglights, larger (18-inch) alloys, a power tailgate and adaptive front lights.

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The new Grandland X follows

the market trend with some of the best features of the SUV or crossover class, but its interior space and extensive in-car technology also make it what Vauxhall intended – a truly family-friendly vehicle.

So much so, in fact, that the company is predicting it will become its second-best seller and that 75 per cent of those sales will be to private, or retail buyers.

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The Funeral Service will take place on Friday, November 17, 2017, at St Thomas' Church, Huntington at 1pm, followed by a Burial at Strawberry Lane Cemetery.

Family flowers only please.

A charity for donations will be chosen by Diane's Family.

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Mary Ann Margaret Partner

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Cyril

X

Mom

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We know you will walk beside us, until we meet again.

Love you always.

Pauline and Margaret.

XX

Sister

Dear Sister, sadly missed. Time slips by and time goes on, but from my heart you're never gone.

Brother Rob

X

Nan

Words are few, thoughts are deep.

Memories of you we will always keep.

Love you Nan.

Tracy, Tasha, Rico, Amy and Zac.

XXX

ERANGEY

Thomas Paul Christopher

Passed away peacefully at home on November 1, 2017, aged 73.

He will be sadly missed by his loving Family and many Friends.

Thomas will be received into St Mary's Catholic Church, Hallcourt Crescent, Cannock on Sunday, November 19, at 5pm.

The Requiem Mass will be held on Monday, November 20, at 10am, followed by Committal at Stafford Crematorium at 11.30am.

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Joyce

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Cannock Chase District Council Licensing act 2003

Notice is hereby given that Bar Sport Property Ltd, on Friday 10th November 2017 applied to the licensing authority at Cannock District Council for the grant of a New Premises license at:

Bar Sports, 85 High Green, Cannock, Staffordshire WS11 1BJ. If granted the application will allow the following licensable activity to take place:

Supply of Alcohol On/Off the premises:
Sunday to Thursday 08:00hrs to 01:30hrs.
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Any person wishing to make representations in relation to this application may do so by writing to: Cannock Chase District Council, Licensing Unit, Civic Centre, Beecroft Road, Cannock, Staffordshire, WS11 1BG, Tel No: 01543-464504

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- One year dual licence.....£129.00
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P. Beckley, Acting Head of Economic Development, Cannock Chase Council, Civic Centre, Beecroft Road, Cannock, WS11 1BG
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Some of the award winners at the ceremony at the Copthorne Hotel



Abbie Hinton from the School of the Year



Aspiring Athlete winner Freya Robson



Opening winner Greg Southall



Power of Sport winner Natty Blewitt



Coach of the Year Wayne McDonald and Diane Davies, Express & Star

Region's sports stars honoured at ceremony

INSPIRATIONAL tales of determination, grit and teamwork emerged as the winners were revealed at this year's Black Country Sport and Physical Activity Awards.

Ten awards were handed out on the night recognising the achievements and contributions of athletes, coaches, sport clubs and volunteers.

A total of 35 finalists were in the running for the awards, run by Active Black Country.

Former women's England Rugby player Maggie Alphonsi MBE was special guest and gave an inspirational speech about her journey from being born with a clubfoot to lifting the Rugby World Cup in 2014.

ACB vice chairman Amanda Tomlinson kicked off the ceremony, at the Copthorne Hotel in Brierley Hill. She said: "The Black Country has got a wide and diverse history. We are defined by our people."

"The levels of deprivation in the Black Country are significant and physical inactivity is highest here across the region. People are not getting the benefits of sport, which is quite worrying and significant. But sport has got the power to change this."

Project

The first award of the night went to Dudley Disability Swimming Project for Sportivate Project of the Decade. The group runs swimming sessions for young disabled people, where more than 20 attend each week. Funding ran out over a year ago but organisers have been able to keep the project afloat.

Next up was Tividale Football Academy which won Community Club of the Year. The club was praised for forging strong links with local schools and the police and helping to change young people's lives for good through the power of football.

Tividale has 350 youngsters in its ranks and more than 40 volunteers across 24 teams.

Keith Thompson, from the club, said: "It is a fantastic achievement, for the volunteers, players and everybody else involved with the club."

School of the Year was won by the Federation of Abbey Infant & Abbey Junior Schools in Sandwell with representative Abbie Hinton picking up the

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By Ben Lammias

"The Black Country has got a wide and diverse history. We are defined by our people."

award on its behalf. The school was praised for its PE curriculum which helped children with their moral, spiritual and cultural development. Abbie Hinton, from the school, said it was a great achievement to win the award.

The Community Impact Award went to Benson Community Project in Smethwick. The initiative has helped to engage more than 1,000 residents in different activities, boost the relationship between police and youths and help young people get into work and join football teams.

Paul Landucci said: "I'm astonished and amazed we have won this award. Smethwick itself should be winning this award. It's about people who love what they do."

The Coach of the Year award went to judo teacher Wayne McDonald. Wayne has taught judo for 13 years and recently developed his coaching skills by teaching visually impaired youngsters at the annual British Blind Sport Day. He was praised for being a positive role model who is always willing to help. Wayne trains beginners at school and community clubs and coaches at competition up and down the country.

The Aspiring Talent award went to Freya Robson, who is a second-dan black belt in karate. Freya has won three medals for England and recently achieved gold in the under-21 kata competition at the Wado European Championships in Paris.

Practising karate has helped give her social skills and the ability to focus and she now teaches karate after recently qualifying as a junior coach.

She said: "There is a lot more that goes into sport

than just training and competition. There is a lot more people that have helped me than they realise."

Community Rangers FC picked up the Satellite Club of the Year award as part of an initiative called 'Football for All'.

Rangers set up a satellite club, with Sporting Equals, at Dudley Goals Soccer Centre to work with hard to reach groups from mosques and schools. The project has seen an increase of youngsters and their families get on board which has resulted in a base of volunteers.

The Power of Sport award went to Natty Blewitt, who is bound to a wheelchair. But Natty, who found being active a challenge, joined a 5km runners group for beginners.

She found the route challenging but showed great resilience and identified routes more suitable. Now her group has moved to flatter ground to enable her and others in wheelchairs to take part.

Performing

She said: "I'm really astonished to win the award. All of this has made a big change to my life. Just a few years ago I weighed over 20 stone but I have since lost nine stone."

Acelya Toprak won Sports Personality of the Year. She has been performing at the highest level of judo for more than 10 years and is now moving up to senior level. She has won three gold medals, two silver and one bronze competing at European events, all while studying for a degree.

The Unsung Hero award went to John Totney and Martin Floyd, who in the past two years have tallied up 1,400 hours, or 58 days, of voluntary work supporting disabled people at Portway Lifestyle Centre in Oldbury.

John, now retired, has been in the role since 2013. Martin, who was born with spina bifida and hydrocephalus and is in a wheelchair, became a volunteer after visiting the gym. They each give 20 hours of their time a week.

The final award of the night was the Elvis Gordon Chair's Recognition Award which went to Black Country Talent Match, a project which helps disadvantaged young people into work and use sport and physical activity as one of the routes.

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Beaten – but Scholars put up a battle

Chasetown 1 Workington 3
WORKINGTON rode a first-half storm to knock a valiant Chasetown side out of the FA Trophy.

Chasetown started brightly and an early header from Ryan Wynter was just wide of the post from a cross by Nkosi Mzungwana in the first two minutes.

Will Whieldon was a whisker wide with a free-kick on the half hour before Workington lost centre-half Sam Smith on a stretcher with a leg injury.

Chasetown had a scare at the start of the second half as a defensive lapse let in Samuel Joel as the ball looped over Curtis Pond who scurried back to concede a corner. From the resulting flag-kick, Workington took the lead after several ricochets with the final touch debited as a Ryan Wynter own goal.

Workington almost doubled their lead with a Joel effort superbly saved by Pond at full stretch.

Just after the hour, the Reds increased their lead through Joel.

Scholars substitute Jake Lovatt dragged an effort wide as the game entered into the final 15 minutes.

Higher league Workington put the game to bed in the 80th minute as Joel broke clear and slotted past Pond.

Chasetown reduced the deficit three minutes from time. Lovatt battled through and unselfishly slotted the ball to fellow sub George Cater who side-footed home from six yards.

● Josh Wheeler, Tom Collier and Liam McLeod were on target as Cannock United overcame Acorn Albion 3-0.

Young kickboxer Ellie at the Hart of GB medals bid

THE Hart School in Rugeley is celebrating the success of one of its students, who was invited to join the Great British Kickboxing Team.

Ellie Harvey, aged 12, represented Great Britain at the WAKO Junior European Championships held in Skopje in Macedonia. Thirty seven countries competed in this prestigious event, with a total of 1,600 competitors selected to represent their respective age and weight categories.

Ellie fought in the under-12s section, competing against older and significantly taller girls, dominating at many stages of the competition and refusing to surrender to her opponents. After a tense semi-final she lost out by two points, but earned herself a bronze medal.

Holly Hartley, acting executive principal of the Hart School, said: "Ellie's accomplishments are outstanding, her determination and resilience set an example to us all.

"We are all very proud of this young lady, and are sure we will see her representing her country at an even higher level, in the not-so-distant future."

Burntwood raise their game in 46-17 win



Neil Holden goes on a powerful run for Burntwood

Harborne 17 Burntwood 46
Midlands 3 West North

BURNTWOOD played some of their best rugby of the season to see off Harborne by eight tries to three. The contest opened at a fast pace, Danny Poole bursting in for the first score off a scrum 10 metres out with just four minutes on the clock.

Right on half-time, the hosts were scrummaging in front of their own posts. The No 8 was well tackled and Poole moved the ball left to Rory Newall who went in for a try near the corner flag

to make the score 29-5 at the interval. Harborne enjoyed the last quarter of the game and went looking for a try bonus point after their classy outside half profited from Burntwood errors to score two tries, one of them converted.

There is no league game for Burntwood this Saturday. They resume action on November 25 with a run of four M3WN fixtures, beginning with Shrewsbury at home.

The 2nds travel to Claverdon for a club fixture this Saturday while the colts are at Pinley.

PENALTY PAIN AS PITMEN ARE HELD

Hednesford 1 Cleethorpes Town 1
HEDNESFORD Town and Cleethorpes Town were having to do it all again last night (Wednesday) after a goal 12 minutes from time saw the visitors earn an FA Trophy replay.

The winners will host Spennymoor Town in the third qualifying round on December 2.

It was the home side that started the game on the front foot but it was Cleethorpes who almost edged ahead when they broke from a Hednesford free-kick in the 11th minute but smart thinking from goalkeeper James Wren denied Paul Beesley as he prepared to pounce.

The Pitmen took the lead in the 34th minute when the lively James Fitzgibbon got to the byline and his cross cannonned to Joey Butlin who finished smartly into the top corner of the net.

Pressure

On the stroke of half-time Fitzgibbon fed Jordan Graham and the striker cut inside before seeing his shot blocked.

Hednesford were dealt a blow at half-time with captain Tom Thorley being forced off and striker Danny Glover having to come on in central midfield. However, they almost doubled their lead from the kick-off but Butlin saw his curling effort saved. As the half progressed the visitors applied more pressure and Hednesford started to sit back on their one-goal lead.

Hednesford tried to relieve the pressure with two more substitutions and one of those, Adriel George, cut inside in the 73rd minute but fired his effort well over.

Five minutes later though the visitors pulled level when debutant Charlie Gatter was adjudged to have fouled his man in the penalty area and Danny North stepped up.

The visitors now fancied their chances but it was the Pitmen who would go closest to winning it when Fitzgibbon cut inside from the left and curled a cross into the box which struck the crossbar before being cleared away to safety.

Sailors rewarded for hard work



Bill and Margaret Boyson

THE Princess Royal, president of the Royal Yachting Association, will present five South Staffordshire sailors with two of the RYA's most prestigious awards this month.

South Staffordshire Sailing Club's Steve and Lynn Baker, from Lichfield, and Blithfield Sailing Club's Margaret and Bill Boyson, will receive RYA Lifetime Commitment Awards, for individuals who have shown exceptional commitment and dedication to their club or organisation for at least 15 years, at the RYA's annual awards ceremony at



Steve and Lynn Baker

One Great George Street, London on Friday 24 November.

Meanwhile, the Baker's South Staffs' club mate, Kamila Czartolomna, who turns 17 later this month and attends Wolgarston High School in Penkridge, will collect an RYA Youth Award, for individuals under 25 who have demonstrated a regular commitment and/or inspirational contribution over-and-above their own participation or achievement within the sport.

Steve, 69, and Lynn, 67, have been hands on at Gailley-based South Staffs for

42 years. Steve, a Powerboat Instructor, is still the club's Bosun, while Lynn has worked with the junior training team and helped to organise numerous social events, open meetings and high-profile regattas.

Margaret and Bill joined Blithfield SC, in Abbots Bromley, in 1984.

As well as maintaining all the club boats as Bosun for 17 years, Bill, now 88, introduced its pontoon and mooring systems and has even mowed the lawn, while Margaret, 80, has held virtually every official role at the club.

Adams gives his all against the students

Loughborough Students 4 Cannock M1s 0

EXCELLENT goalkeeping by Cannock's Gavin Adams saw this encounter remain goalless at half-time.

The students forced a penalty corner and were able to take an advantage. As the half progressed they won more PCs and scored two more to open up a 3-0 lead. As the half closed a good team goal saw the game end 4-0 to Loughborough.

In other matches, Cannock M2s drew 1-1 with Rugby, Cannock M4s and Harborne M4s chalked up the same scoreline, and Cannock M5s got the better of Finchfield M4s with a 4-3 victory.

Swansea 1 Cannock L1s 0

Cannock travelled to Swansea knowing that a win would mean they would leapfrog the home side. The visitors kept Swansea at bay and went into half-time 0-0. The second half saw both sides continue to compete for a share of the spoils with Cannock hitting the post before Swansea got the only goal of the game.

Elsewhere, Cannock L2s lost 3-2 to Shrewsbury, Cannock L3s went down by the odd goal in seven against Lichfield, and Cannock L5s lost 6-1 to Watts L5s.

● Cannock Hockey Club finished runners-up in the Community Club of the Year 2017 category of the Sport Across Staffordshire & Stoke on Trent Awards 2017, being piped to the post by Wyrley Juniors Football Club.

● The hockey club is holding a quiz night on Saturday, November 18, starting at 7.30pm.

Goal-mad Hayes hit five in second half

Nuneaton Griff 0 Heath Hayes 6

NUNEATON were fortunate to go in at half-time only one goal down after fine goalkeeping by Belford restricted the score. Only an 18-yard shot by Andrew Davis beat him.

The second half started in dramatic fashion when two goals from Reg Smith and one from Alex Lavery took the score to 4-0 within five minutes of the restart.

Two further goals from Jack Weldon and Tony Allsopp took the score to an emphatic victory.

Hayes were entertaining Hinckley on Tuesday, followed by another home game on Saturday to Walsall Wood.

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